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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

A NICE carpet will be a very acceptable holiday present for your mother, sister or wife. The place to get it is at Abel & Locke's.

MISS GENEVIEVE ROLLAS, supported by Frank Aiken's splendid dramatic company, will appear at the opera house, in Maud Muller, on the evening of Wednesday, January 2nd.

THE expense of the Crafton trial at the present term for the two items, sheriff and jury fees and mileage, was $996.—From this some idea may be formed as to what the case has cost from the time of Crafton's arrest until now.

AT MOUNDORO the temperance revival is still going on. On Saturday night the meeting was addressed by Alderman Mizzy and Chas. J. Holt, of this city.—Two meetings were held yesterday, and the total number of signers reaches 777. The county organization is to take place on New Year's day.

AN old Baltimore negro who had emigrated to Liberia years ago, ordered a quantity of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup a short time ago, stating that although coughs and colds were not frequent in Africa, he would not like to be without it in his family.

COUGHS, colds, sore throat, Asthma, Bronchitis and all diseases of the lungs and chest, are readily cured by Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup, a remedy which never fails to give satisfaction. Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists.

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EVERY season has its joys. A modern poet thus sings:

Strawberries fade with gentle spring,
The ice cream season passes;
But, after all, stern winter brings
Us buckwheat cakes and lasses.

A pleasant neighborhood Christmas tree affair came off at Mr. Crossman's, on the Bloomington road, seven miles from Decatur. One of the boys was dressed up as Santa Claus and appeared to the wondering children. Mr. Samuel Afler's family from this city were among the participants.

SALE POSTPONED.—The sale of Mr. Lewis Sandage, which was advertised to come off at his farm, 8 miles east, and 4 miles north of Mowequa, on the 24th inst., has been postponed to Wednesday, Jan 2?, at which time it will take place.

From Monday's Daily.

A BIG JOB QUICKLY DONE.—On Tuesday night last Judge Smith gave the order for the issuing of a venire to summon three hundred men to appear at the court-house forthwith. The venire was given to Sheriff Forstmyer about 5 o'clock on Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday morning that officer had two hundred and forty-six men in the court-room to answer to the call of the roll. We call that quick work, and we understand that Judge Smith complimented the sheriff for his efficiency.

From Wednesday's Daily.

IMPORTANT TO JURORS, WITNESSES AND PARTIES TO SUITS IN COURT.—Circuit court resumed business, to-day, at one o'clock, Judge Smith in the chair. After court was called, the judge announced that no cases would be tried this week except those in which Judge Nelson had been interested as counsel, and parties and witnesses in other cases need not appear until Monday, January 7th, as it was further announced that on Saturday next court would be adjourned until the day named. Jurors also for the fifth and sixth weeks need not appear until that date, to-wit, January 7th. Sheriff Forstmyer deserves the above announcements to be borne in mind by persons interested.

Whitaker's cash store, at Macon, is the place to buy goods. Quality always the best and prices at hard pan.

The Most Complete stock of Blank Books and office stationery, at

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APPOINTED.—The creditors of Rucker, Hammer & Co., at their meeting on Monday, selected B. O. McReynolds as assignee of the estate of said bankrupts.

CHINA WEDDING.

A Pleasant Affair.

Quite a number of the friends of H. W. Waggoner and wife gathered at their elegant residence, on North Water street, last Saturday evening, occasioned by the knowledge of the fact that this was the twentieth anniversary of their marriage. The visitors were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner, who joined heartily with the company in social conversation. After an hour pleasantly spent in interchange of feelings appropriate to occasions of this kind, the guests were invited to a sumptuous repast, which was partaken of with a relish that attested the deliciousness of the feast.

Mrs. Waggoner was the recipient of a valuable china tea set, a dozen very handsome china plates, and other china ware. Mr. Waggoner was also remembered. Among his presents was a very nicely ornamented cup, with those familiar words, "My good boy," inscribed upon its face; also a handsome plate, encircled with the alphabet, the centre representing a Bear-hunting scene. These little tokens of friendship from his friends were duly appreciated by our worthy county clerk, and although twenty-five years had elapsed, yet the Bear-hunting scene upon the china plate vividly brought to his mind the events that just preceded that auspicious period.

A number of the young friends of Clarence and Minnie Waggoner were also present at this marriage anniversary of their parents. To Clarence and Minnie the occasion was one of peculiar interest, and the young hearts that joined with them will long remember this meeting with pleasure. Suffice it to say that all present felt the occasion one of unusual pleasure, and were more than gratified for the opportunity of joining with Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner and their interesting young family in celebrating their twentieth marriage anniversary. In due time the company separated for their homes, bidding their friends good night, and wishing them the full measure of happiness during life.

THE TEMPERANCE MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT.

The announcement that Capt. J. S. Post would address the people on temperance at the court house on Saturday night, drew out an immense crowd, so that the large court room was packed full.

At the hour for opening Mr. Theodore Nelson, vice president of the Reform Club, took the chair, and called the meeting to order. The usual preliminaries of singing and prayer made a good beginning for a spirited and profitable meeting. The singing was under the direction of D. L. Bunn, Esq., and the prayer by Mr. E. McNabb, was appropriate and earnest.

The first and principal speaker of the evening was Capt. J. S. Post, who upon being introduced by the chairman, was greeted with cordial applause.

The remarks of the speaker went to show the devastation which whisky had wrought in this county; both as it regards men's property, reputation and health: and also referred to the nice things which the sale of whisky had secured, to some men at the expense of the comfort and happiness of other men and their families. The Captain's remarks were of a highly practical character, and were listened to with marked attention.

The address was followed by the song, "Yield not to Temptation;" and while this piece was being sung over thirty persons came forward and signed the pledge—among them several who have been hard drinkers.

An interesting address was made by Mr. Thomas Hays, and another by Capt. W. E. Bingham, the latter giving an account of the temperance work at Monticello, where he with C. J. Holt, had spent most of the week. Several of those who signed the pledge said a few words, indicating their purpose to stick to their pledge.

This meeting showed the people to be thoroughly in earnest, and indicated a spirit of determination that is seldom witnessed. The benediction was pronounced by Thomas Hays, and the people slowly retired from the place.

JUDGMENT CONFIRMED.—The appellate court, before which the case of Ulery vs. Jones was taken from the Macon circuit court, and which has been so long pending here, has confirmed the judgment of the court below, which is for the defense. As we understand it the appellate court may grant an appeal to the supreme court, provided such an appeal is asked; so the final disposition of the case may not have been reached yet.

Public squares are a great blessing to the community. We can say the same of Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup, it is the best remedy for the care of all diseases Babyhood has to encounter. Price only 25 cents.

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RETURNED.—Sheriff Forstmyer returned from Joliet last evening, and informs us that Crafton was assigned to duty as clerk in the laundry of the prison.

CHILDREN cry for Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup, it is the most pleasant preparation for Coughs and colds known. Price 25 cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

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ALL HAIL CHRISTMAS, 1877.

Again the wheel of Time in its steady and perpetual revolution, has brought us to the eve of that anniversary which is believed by Christendom to commemorate the birth of the most wonderful being that ever marked the earth with his footprints, known in history, both sacred and profane, as Jesus of Nazareth.

Taking the faith of the Christian world as the ground for the observance of this anniversary, it becomes the most important of all the days set apart to perpetuate important events in human memory. The faith of Christendom in regard to this "man Jesus," is too well known to require a statement in detail, comprehending in general terms the idea of the gift on his part of himself for the benefit of mankind, and this accounts for the manner of observing the day—it being devoted to the bestowment of tokens of affection and good-will, by friend upon friend. Accepting the Christian idea of the object of Christ's advent to the world, and the manner of His life, nothing can be more appropriate than the observance of the anniversary of His birth by those who believe in Him in the manner named.

His mission was essentially one of good will to men, and He brought in His hand the choicest gifts known to intelligent beings, to-wit: Eternal Life, with all that is implied in it. According to Bible history, and the faith of Christians based upon it, so important was the mission of Jesus to the world, and so great the blessings that he came to confer that angels were made the messengers to proclaim His coming, and, when nearly nineteen hundred years ago, they announced his advent to shepherds on the plains of Judea, they broke the tidings in the following language: "Behold we bring you glad tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." And then it is said a multitude of the heavenly host filled the air, and sang "Glory to God in the highest! on earth peace and good will to men!"

With this example on the part of Christ in bestowing gifts that can never be approximated in value and importance by anything which one friend can bestow upon another, it seems eminently fitting that in celebrating the anniversary of his coming, that there should be an expression of good will between those who are the common recipients of his inestimable gifts, and that such good will should find expression in the bestowment of such tokens and gifts as are within the range of human capacity to give.

In carrying out the spirit and intent of the Christmas anniversary one saying of Jesus should be held in special remembrance. It is this: "The poor ye have always with you, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good;" and then, in stating to the disciples of John the evidences that he was the Christ, he said "the poor have the Gospel preached to them."—These words afforded the lesson that in our rejoicings in the possession of the gifts of Christ, and in the distribution of the tokens which indicate our good will toward men, the poor should not be forgotten. In order that they may be remembered, no organized movement for the bestowment of charities is needed.—Let each family, blest with an abundance of this world's goods, extend their generosity to those worthy poor who are personally known to them. Let shoeless feet be shod; let tattered garments give place to comfortable clothing, and the little ones in homes where parents are too poor to procure even the necessaries of life, much less holiday gifts, be made glad with such things as please the fancy of childhood. A little attention bestowed in this direction will carry light to many a gloomy home, and cause many a childish heart to palpitate with joy, while at the same time the giver is carrying out the true idea of Christmas. Such being the purpose of the Christmas anniversary, of course, any approach to debauchery in connection with the festivities of the day is not only improper, as it is on all occasions, but most abhorrent to any one having the least conception of the grand and beneficent object of the day, and its observances, and we hope that no one may be found who will thus pervert the high and gracious designs of the Christmas anniversary.

In presenting the above suggestions to the readers of the REPUBLICAN, we cherish the hope that they will cultivate good will toward all, and conclude by wishing them a Happy Christmas, with many more to follow.

A Pardonable Pride

Prompts most people to delay, by any laudable means that science affords, the evidences of physical decay. Who that is in perfect health would not match the bright eye, the active mind, and other appearances of youthful vigor, with the luxuriance, the rich color, and beauty of youthful hair? Parker's Hair Balsam stands pre-eminent as an elegant hair dressing, and by its healthful action on the roots not only promotes a luxuriant growth of the young hair, but unfailingly restores gray or faded hair to the original youthful color, giving a soft, rich and lustrous appearance of great beauty. No other preparation so effectually removes Dandruff or stops falling of the hair; its cooling and healing action entirely curing itching and humors of the scalp and keeping the skin clean, white and healthy. It is perfectly harmless, exquisitely perfumed, and contains nothing that will soil the skin or gum the hair. It is not a dye, and is unequaled for excellence and purity. Buy a bottle from your druggist, W. C. Armstrong, and test its merits.

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CHRISTMAS IN RETROSPECT.

Mist and Mud—Entertainments and Festivities.

In this locality the Christmas of 1877 will be remembered on account of the gloomy clouds and mist that hung in the city, giving everything and everybody a gloomy appearance, but notwithstanding the rain of Monday, both day and evening the people were abroad completing their purchases in the line of Christmas gifts, so that trade in that line—though less than it would have been had the weather been more favorable—was far greater than one would suppose it could be under such unauspicious circumstances.

Christmas festivities proper commenced on Christmas eve, there being at the First M. E. Church a Christmas tree for the benefit of the children. The exercises took place in the large lecture-room, which was packed as full as it could well be. The rostrum was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and supported a large evergreen, the boughs of which were loaded with bags of candy. The exercises were opened by singing and prayer, after which Sup't Gorin called the classes, one at a time, to the stand, where each scholar received a bag in the shape of a stocking well-filled with candy.—After the little folks were supplied, J. M. Clokey, Esq., called upon Rev. Doctor Leaton, the Pastor, J. R. Gorin, Sup't, and George W. Bright, Asst. Sup't, to stand up, when, with a few pleasant and amusing remarks, he presented each of the gentlemen named with a sack of candy. This closed the distribution of gifts, and the audience was dismissed.

At Stapp's Chapel also a Christmas tree was prepared for the children. Here the exercises were held in the audience-room, which was as full as it could comfortably be. Here literary exercises and a musical entertainment preceded the distribution of gifts. Miss Fannie Shellabarger rendered a song in fine taste, which was followed by a recitation, by Miss Flora Race, which was also well done. A selection read by Rev. Mr. MacBurney, the pastor, pleased the audience much, and the fine singing by the school was highly entertaining. An amusing feature of the entertainment at this church was the appearance of Santa Claus in person to superintend the distribution of his presents.—Here, as at the 1st church, the exercises were highly entertaining, especially to the little folks.

Besides these church entertainments, the Rescue hose boys had their annual ball at Brenneman's hall, which passed off in a most agreeable manner, though the attendance was not as large as would have been the case had the weather been more favorable. An interesting episode in this entertainment was the presentation of a beautiful badge to Charley Winebrenner, by the company, in consideration of his skill and efficiency as pipeman. The presentation was made by Mr. Charles P. Housum. The badge is a beauty, and Charley may well be proud of it. All present at the dance seemed to enjoy themselves in a high degree, and it will be remembered with much pleasure by all participating.

This, so far as we know, with the occasions already spoken of, constituted the festivities of Christmas eve, and people waited for the morrow with the hope that sunshine would cheer humanity with the opening of Christmas day. In this, as in many other things, disappointment was the common lot of all, and throughout the entire day clouds and rain and mud held sway. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, however, those who had their plans laid carried them out, and the several exercises and entertainments arranged for were carried out as fully as if the day had been the brightest, and considering the weather were remarkably well attended.

Divine service was held at the Episcopal church at eleven o'clock a. m., the house being crowded. The church was elaborately and beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the services, by the rector, Rev. Stephen H. Granberry, were of a very interesting character. The Rev. gentleman named as his text the words found in Matthew, "They Shall Call his Name Immanuel." From these words a very able discourse was preached, in which was set forth the work accomplished for man by Christ, as the lamb of God, slain from before the foundation of the world. The sermon was able and instructive, being clear in the statement of its propositions, and most happy in its illustrations. In the evening a service was held for the children, at the conclusion of which the young people were addressed in a very interesting manner by the rector, who was followed by an address to the children by Senator Oglesby. In his remarks the honorable Senator gave a very interesting account of his visit to the Holy Land, describing the various objects and places of interest which he visited. The advice of the speaker to the children was most excellent, and as such they should all remember. At the conclusion of the Senator's remarks, the Sunday school scholars were made happy by the distribution of presents. The decorations of the church were most tasteful and appropriate, and were such as paid a compliment to the taste and skill of the deft hands which did the work.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

was served by the young ladies of the Christian Church, at the opera house, and was as rich and abundant as the most fastidious could desire. Owing to the bad walking it is probable that the number patronizing the tables was not as large as would have been the case otherwise, though over a hundred dined. This superb dinner was supplemented by a supper equally good, served on the European plan, and from six o'clock in the evening until after ten, people were coming and going, and the tables were liberally patronized. This entertainment was one of of the best of the kind, and reflected much credit upon the managers. The gathering was very pleasant, socially, and those who came in were made to feel at home. The entertainment must net quite a handsome revenue for the benefit of the society.

At the U. B. Church there was service by the pastor, and a children's meeting in the evening, with the usual distribution of Christmas presents. The affair was a pleasant one, and will be remembered by the little folks, and indeed by all in attendance, with much satisfaction.

At the Bethel Church in the evening, the Sunday School children were treated to a bountiful supper, which they seemed to relish and greatly enjoy.

The tables were loaded with all the luxuries of the season, which were arranged in the most tasteful manner and the affair from first to last, was enjoyable, both for the parents and children.

The Jolly Club had a highly enjoyable hop at Concordia Hall, which passed off pleasantly for all in attendance.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The following certificates have been received by Dr. J. Stebbins King since out last published list. Those physicians who have not already received their certificates, and wish them recorded before being sent to them, will furnish Dr. King with the following additional items required by the law, viz: Nativity, age, number of years in practice in this State, and total number of years in practice.

Dr. Daniel A. Bridgman, Mt. Zion: Dartmouth Medical College, N. H., Nov. 1, 1865; No. of certificate, 1,612.

Dr. P. B. Sparks, Decatur; Homeopathic College, St. Louis, Mo., March 3, 1873; No. of certificate, 1,838.

Dr. Robert Carr, Newburg; Albany Medical College, New York, Dec. 24, 1855; No. of certificate, 2,181.

Dr. Chas. A. MacDonell, Warrensburg; Rush Medical College, Chicago, Feb. 16, 1875; No. of certificate, 2,274.

Dr. Wm. L. Reed, Cerro Gordo; Detroit Medical College, Michigan, July 10, 1872; No. of certificate, 2,275.

Dr. J. N. Randall, Warrensburg; Harvard Medical College, Mass., March 14, 1867; No. of certificate, 2,276.

Dr. Joseph H. Axton, Maroa; University of Louisville, Ky., March, 1859; No. of certificate, 2,277.

Dr. Morrison J. Brandom, Cerro Gordo; ten years' practice; No. of certificate, 176.

Dr. Harrison J. Brandom, Cerro Gordo: ten years' practice; No. of certificate, 177.

Dr. John L. Ferguson, Harristown: ten years' practice; No. of certificate, 233.

Dr. Joseph Leslie, Wheatland, ten years' practice.

Dr. Geo. W. McMillen, Decatur; ten years' practice; No. of certificate, 310.

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FIRE LAST NIGHT.—About half past 12 o'clock last night an alarm of fire was sounded, occasioned by the partial burning of the dwelling house of Mr. D. Levy, on Cerro Gordo street. The family was away, and as there was no fire about the premises it must have been set. Appearances went to show that the fire was set on the outside, near a stairway, from which place it worked its way upward, and getting under the roof, got inside of the house. The flames were got under control by the use of buckets, so that though the Rescue Hose Company came to the spot, no water was thrown. The damage to the building by the burning of floors, doors, window casings, etc., is quite considerable, probably to the extent of one hundred dollars.

The property was insured in the agency of Barnes & Tibbets.

On the east side of the building the window of the first story, near the north end of the house, has a part of a window light broken, which was evidently done in an attempt to raise the window, several slats of the shutter were also broken out. From here the incendiary went to the west side and forced open a cellar window, thus affording an entrance, and from the cellar he ascended to the first floor and kindled a fire under the back stairway. Mr. Levy, who was absent from home last night, thinks that some canned fruit was taken from the cellar, and also that some clothing was carried away.—Mrs. Levy left home on Monday, to be absent visiting friends during the holidays.

Besides the damage to the house by fire, carpets and furniture are more or less damaged by water, so that the entire loss to Mr. Levy may approximate three hundred dollars.

Buy the "Excelsior Diary" for 1878—large assortment, at

J. M. STOOKEY & Co.'s.

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SILVER.

To the Citizens of Decatur and Macon County:

At a mass meeting of citizens of Macon and vicinity, irrespective of party, the undersigned were appointed a committee to confer with the citizens of Decatur and Macon county, for the purpose of holding a mass convention in the city of Decatur, for the expression of public sentiment on the question of the remonetization of silver. The committee, after full consideration, have concluded that Saturday, the 29th inst., would be a proper time to hold said meeting, and if the friends of the restoration of the legal tender power of silver shall concur in the object of the proposed meeting; and shall favor the time and place of holding the same we respectfully request that they will at once take steps for seeing that such proposed meeting has a full representation from every township in Macon county.

A. G. BENTON,
E. SPRAGUE,
M. P. FUNK,
SAMUEL LOWE,
J. B. GARVIN,
Z. T. HUNDLEY,
Committee.

PEOPLE'S MEETING.

Address by Senator Oglesby.

By request of many citizens of Macon county, Senator Oglesby will address a meeting of the citizens of this county, composed of all parties favoring the repeal of the Resumption act, and favoring the passage of the silver bill now before the senate, at the court house, on

SATURDAY, THE 29TH INST.,

at 1 o'clock p. m. Let everybody turn out.

By order of committee

MORE PRIZES.

In addition to the prizes offered by Linn & Scruggs to those who furnish them with their names for their Business Directory, the salesmen of the House have each added a prize, consisting of the following articles: Brush and Comb, Marseilles Quilt, one dozen Napkins, one Ottoman, pair Satin Damask Towels, Nubia, one Turkish Toilet Mat, red and white table-cover, one Scarlet Rug, one dozen Hose, Ladies' Satchel, set Applique Tidies, pair Linen Emb. Chair Tidies, one Brussels Rug, Knickerbocker Skirt.

The prizes thus generously given by the salesmen are very handsome and will lend additional interest to the *drawing*, which will take place at the court house, Jan. 1st, at 12:50 p. m.

d&wtd LINN & SCRUGGS.

DIED.—A telegram received to-day from Centralia announces the death of Rev. N. P. Coltrin, which took place at his late residence in that city this morning. The deceased was a brother of Mr. I. N. Coltrin, and was about 59 years of age. He was a graduate of Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, and also of the Theological Seminary, at Auburn, New York. He has at various times been pastor of churches (Congregational) at Jacksonville, Litchfield, Griggsville and Chandlerville, and was chaplain of the 33d Illinois during the war. He had resided at Centralia for several years past, engaged in fruit farming, and occasionally preaching.

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TIRED OF LIFE.—In the early part of last evening a young man named Wesley Miller, who lives with his mother on Mason street, attempted suicide by shooting himself with a pistol. As we understand the matter, he entered the room where his mother was sitting, when she remarked to him that it was a dull Christmas, and as he turned to look at her she heard the discharge of a pistol, when he staggered into an adjoining room and fell upon a lounge. When asked by his mother why he had committed such a rash act he replied that he had given her trouble enough. Dr. R. L. Walston was immediately called, and found, upon examination, that the ball had entered the body just below the ribs, and on the right side. No effort was made to extract the ball last night, but this morning it was found in the region of the kidneys, its location being indicated by a slight rising on the back. Dr. W. cut in and took the ball out at the place named—it lying within an inch and a half of the surface, having passed entirely through the intestines—but whether the ball cut them or not in its passage, is not yet fully apparent. The wound is a dangerous one, and the attending surgeon has but little expectation that his patient will live. No cause has been assigned by the young man for the act except the remark made to his mother.

POSTMASTER ARRESTED.—A despatch from Morrisonville, Ill., to the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* says that the postmaster of that town, R. A. Buxton, is under arrest for having failed to deliver letters containing drafts from business firms, and the Sunday *Democrat* says that some of the drafts were from business men in Decatur.

GONE SOUTH.—From a notice in the Arcola *Record* we learn that Dr. W. T. Sylvester, late of that city, and formerly of Decatur, has gone to Florida to remain for awhile at least. We understand that the doctor has a contract there for building a long line of railroad, and he has gone there with a party of workmen to engage in the enterprise.

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Hon. J. G. Cannon has arrived at his home in Danville, to spend the holiday recess with his family.

Senator Blaine has gone to the Hot Springs of Arkansas, to try the benefit of the baths there.

Several Indianapolis ladies called upon Gov. Blue-Jeans Williams for charitable contributions. "Why don't you stop building churches," he asked, "and leave off dressing in fine clothes?"

The New Orleans *Times* concedes that Senator Kellogg is wide awake where the interests of New Orleans are concerned. It says he has introduced his first bill, and it is a good one. The *Times* carries about in its bosom a great load of grief on the Kellogg question, but it hopes, all the same, that he will succeed in this bill.

President Hayes, in company with Secretary Evarts, Secretary Thompson, Attorney General Devens, and Postmaster General Key, and members of the White House household, will be in New York for the next few days, where their entertainment will be in the hands of the Union League Club, whose invited guests they are.

The Alton *Democrat* favors the establishment of peace and tranquility throughout the country by means of the disbanding of the Republican party. It says all that remains to have things as quiet everywhere as they are in Mississippi is for the "Republicans to disband and let the Democrats alone." The article from which we quote closes with these words: "Let the good work commence in Illinois." If this advice is to be accepted there will be an immediate and unprecedented demand for shot guns. But the "good work" will hardly commence in Illinois for a few weeks yet.

Walter Riley, executed in Kemper county, Miss., killed Bob Dobbs in 1871. Dobbs was the leader of a gang that inveigled Riley into a trap where he was cruelly whipped. Riley was laid up for a month, and when he got about again he shot Dobbs. Dobbs, before he died, told the story of the whipping, and asked that there should be no retaliation on Riley. And although there was an indictment found, it was not prosecuted until Riley shot John W. Gully. This was simply one murder against another. Gully was seeking for Riley, and when they met the assassin Riley shot the assassin Gully. He was then pursued, arrested and executed. This was all right. He killed two men. When will the murderers who killed several men guilty of no offense, and women and children utterly defenseless, be arrested, tried and executed?

The president is preparing a message on civil-service reform, which will be sent to congress after the holidays. A Washington dispatch to the Chicago *Tribune* says: "It will show that the president does not intend to surrender any position which he has assumed in his controversy with the senate. It will set forth the president's views with respect to patronage, and will call attention to the fact that, by the action of the republican national convention and by nearly every state convention, congress as well as the president has been instructed to enforce the civil-service policy, and that he (the president) is simply endeavoring to carry out to the letter the instructions given him in advance by those who elected him. In this message the president will take very strong ground as to the constitutional right of the executive to originate all nominations."

Congressman Burchard, of the Freeport district, is of the opinion that the government can resume specie payments in 1879, and certainly will if not prevented by backward legislation.—Being asked to what he attributed the present depression throughout the country, he replied: "The constant reiteration and the growing belief, that the government will not be prepared to, and cannot, redeem the United States notes when presented for that purpose after January 1, 1879, is doing more to depress values and paralyze business than anything else. Confidence in the stability of values is all that is lacking to attract capital to invest in productive enterprises. Actual resumption will bring that confidence: so will the belief in its certainty and permanency." And already we hear rumors that the people of Mr. Burchard's district are looking around for some one to succeed him in the next congress.

THE SILVER ISSUE.

The Hon. G. L. Fort, member of congress from the Woodford-Marshall district of this state, has been talking to a correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune*, on the silver issue, and his remarks appear in a letter of the correspondent, in the issue of the 17th inst. Colonel Fort is a member of the house committee, and has given unusual attention to the silver question. Referring to the passage of the bill demonetizing silver, he states in positive terms, based upon his own investigations, that the bill was passed so quietly, that only a few members of congress who were in the secret, knew of it, and that as a matter of fact, the demonitization clause was *never read to the house*. Concerning the main phase of the question the conversation went on as follows:

Do you consider that the bonds may be paid in Silver?

Silver should be remonetized in order to hold the creditor as well as the debtor to the contract. All the immense public debt of the country contracted before 1873, as well as the private debts of the people, had been contracted while silver in standard dollars was legal tender to any amount, and the law was a part of the contract. The debtor promised to pay, and the creditor agreed to take his pay in silver coin. And now the taxpayer ought to hold the bondholder to the contract.

What would be the effect of remonetization upon resumption?

Silver must be remonetized in order to make resumption of specie payments possible. Without it we cannot have resumption, so much desired by us all for many years.

They say that silver has depreciated, and it is not honest to pay in that coin?

So it has depreciated, if we take gold as a standard. And why? Because it has been dishonored as money. Bear in mind that it did not depreciate until it was demonetized. And now, in all fairness, may we not truthfully say that gold has appreciated and become more valuable as money? Its purchasing power has advanced wonderfully since silver was demonetized. It takes more labor, and more of any kind of produce, to procure a given amount of it, than before silver was thrown out.

Remonetize silver, and it will go up, and gold will come down. And we shall soon see them both, as in other years, poising in the balance of value, with but little motion of the beam.

But the bondholders complain bitterly at the proposed remonetization.

Why should the creditor complain? There is not a promise to pay in existence, made prior to 1873, when silver was legal money, which was not appreciated, and is not now worth more than the promise was when it was made.—And the holder of any such indebtedness can accept silver in payment, and sell his silver for gold if he is so thirsty for that metal, and thereby realize more gold for his bond or other promise than he paid for it. So who is defrauded?

Do you think it will do to have silver a legal tender for large amounts?

How can it be honest payment for $5 and dishonest for $100 or $1,000? Is it good enough to pay a man or woman a week's work, and yet not good enough to pay the more wealthy larger sums? Such a doctrine is monstrous."

What will be the effect of remonetization upon the national credit?

They say to remonetize silver will ruin our credit abroad. I have no fears of such a result. The trouble with us now is, that our credit is better abroad than it is at home. Why manifest so much concern for the welfare of our foreign creditors, and so little for ourselves? We will pay our creditors to the last dollar, but why should we pay them so many millions more, and in a more valuable coin, than we agreed to pay?

"It can hardly be supposed," says the Indianapolis *Journal*, "that the object of the president's civil-service reform measures was to add to Senator Conkling's political prestige, but thus far that has been about the most notable result." The case seems to be fairly stated.

As we read in the New York *Tribune*, Mr. Lamar explains that there is great difficulty at present in getting European capital to develop the South, because of the lively foreign recollection of Southern repudiation: "While in Europe I was consulted every day by Mason, Slidell, and our financial agents in London and Paris. The greatest obstacle in the way of the financial recognition of our confederacy, was the fact that our president was from Mississippi, to which the odium of repudiation was attached. I remember the chief man on change told Mr. Mason: 'Sir, you can not float your loan unless your confederacy disavows the repudiation of Mississippi.' Now, if I were to go there my time would be more occupied in explaining this matter of repudiation than in pushing the enterprise."

A special to the Cincinnati *Gazette* says that the treasury of Lawrence county, Illinois, was broken into Tuesday night and robbed of $39,000.

GENERAL BUTLER.

An Interview in Which the Essex Statesman Manages to Remain Non-committed.

New York Sun.

General Butler put on his incredulous look—is an adept at doing so—when the reporter asked him what he thought of some of the recent exciting scenes in the senate. He sat in an easy chair in his favorite parlor, No. 1, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and in his lap lay a newspaper. A little saffron rose, somewhat faded, drooped rather wearily from his coat lapel, and one of his dainty slippers had been cast off as though for greater ease.

"What do you think of the exciting scenes in the senate?"

"What scenes?"

"Well, for instance, the cross-fire between Conkling and Gordon."

"Ah! What do you know about it?"

"Nothing excepting the printed reports."

"No more do I," and the general looked very hard at the reporter; but, while his eye was stern, there was just a faint quiver of fun about the corners of his lips.

"But, surely, General, you must have heard something about it."

"I saw something about it in the newspapers, a great deal in fact. Now, what am I to suppose from that? Why, the senate was in executive session. Every senator is bound to reveal nothing. That being so, I must suppose, of course, that the correspondents have written that of which they know nothing. How, then, am I to form an opinion of that which it is fair to presume did not take place?"

"Yes, but you forget, General, that protocol of Hamlin, Ransom and others."

"Well, who knows whether that is genuine or not? I don't. I never asked a senator what took place in secret session."

"But, suppose it is all true."

"Then some correspondent must have hidden in the gallery, or some senator or senators must have revealed secrets."

"What, then?"

"Well, if the last supposition is true, somebody ought to be expelled from the senate."

"Well, General, that was a desperate struggle for party supremacy that took place over the admission of Kellogg and Butler."

Apparently the senatorial struggle referred to was not of the slightest interest to General Butler.

"Oh, well," he said, in a nonchalant manner, "there was no reason before the committee for keeping Butler out, and Kellogg was certainly legally elected."

"Then, if Kellogg was legally elected Packard was?"

"I always thought Packard was and is the legally elected governor of Louisiana to-day."

"General, the newspapers ask continually why you are so silent in congress now."

Evidently this pleased the General. "Why—ha-ha—I am—so silent. Well, I suppose I know why if any one does. I know why I do and don't do. If I am satisfied, what is there wrong?"

"One newspaper says you will be heard when the time comes."

"Well, I suppose I shall," resumed the General: "I suppose I shall. I don't see how it can very well be helped. Because, you see, if the time doesn't come, of course I shant be heard from."

Plainly the General was in a non-committal mood. Even the silver bill failed to draw from him any more positive assertions than that he believed it would become a law. The little glances, the expressive smile, and that one uncontrollable feature of his lips betrayed the General in a manner that his words did not. It was apparent that although the General is said to have his hat full of bricks, he finds in congress other hats full, and he is quietly lying by and watching the fun and havoc which the concussions from other bricks than his are making.

Public meetings are being held all over the country, on the finance question, at which the feeling in favor of silver remonetization is decidedly pronounced.

The Indiana state democratic convention is to be held at Indianapolis on the 20th of February. The convention will consist of 1,067 delegates.

At Dubuque, Iowa, the weather has been so warm that pie plant and other vegetables are an inch above the ground, and pansies are blooming in the flower beds.

The new Bishop of Springfield, George Fox Seymour, is a brother of Hon. Horatio Seymour, of New York, and is 47 years of age. He is said to be one of the most profound scholars in the Protestant Episcopal Church, and is a brilliant man in every respect.

When Senator David Davis wakes up in the morning he calls out to his private secretary, "John, on which side did I vote yesterday?" "Democratic!" says John. "Ah! then this is the Republicans' day. John, put a cannon ball in each coat-tail pocket!"

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R. ASHBY,

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Dec. 14—d3mo w6mo

Last week's issue of the *Champaign County Gazette* comes to us printed on handsomely tinted book paper, and with a four-page supplement. The contents have been prepared with especial reference to the holiday season, and comprise choice selections in prose and poetry, with copious illustrations—comic and otherwise. We are under the impression that this is the first venture of the kind made by any country newspaper in the Northwest, and we congratulate Col. Scroggs upon the success which has attended his effort. But, then, nothing commonplace or ordinary could be expected form George Scroggs, who every week prints one of handsomest, newsiest and ablest papers in Illinois—or anywhere else, for that matter.

The Right Kind of Christmas Gifts.—The Philadelphia *Times* says: Durability is one of the desirable qualities, since a Christmas gift ought to be a memorial of the good-will that inspired it, and beauty is another, since it ought to testify of this good-will to everybody and give pleasure to all who look at it. If utility can be combined with those conditions, so much the better. But there are 364 days in the year in which we can take care that our friends have what they need, and only one day on which we are privileged to give them what will please them. Your wife may pretend that she would rather have a new carpet for the dining-room than a camel's hair shawl, but it is a mere pretence. The dining-room carpet is a family affair, in which you are as much interested as she, and which it is your business to renew as often as required. The camel's hair shawl is for her own personal use and pleasure, as a Christmas gift ought to be. If you can't spend five hundred or a hundred dollars, spend five dollars or one dollar or fifty cents, but don't make a virtue of necessity and pretend that a needed piece of family furniture, which is intended for your own gratification, is a testimony of your regard for her. If you must have the carpet at Christmas, let your wife buy it and give it to you.

MARS' MOONS.

When the telegraph announced the discovery by Prof. Hall that our neighboring planet had two satelites, and the dispatch was read the next morning at ten thousand American breakfast tables, what think you was the effect upon the hearers? Some colloquy similar to the following was sure to occur: "Mars has two moons, hey? Pass the milk, Kitty. Strange, isn't it, that astronomers never saw them before. Another chop, please. I wonder what they'll discover next?—These corn cakes are excellent. What's the latest from Europe?" We have become so accustomed to startling discoveries and announcements, that we take them as a matter of course. Even truth must appear in flaming colors to make herself seen. The virtues of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Pleasant Purgative Pellets have been tested in ten thousand households, whose inmates will tell you that they consider the discovery and introduction of these remedies of far greater importance to the world than the moons of Mars.

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Decatur, Ills., November 30, A. D. 1877.

JOHN B. BECKETT, Adm'r.

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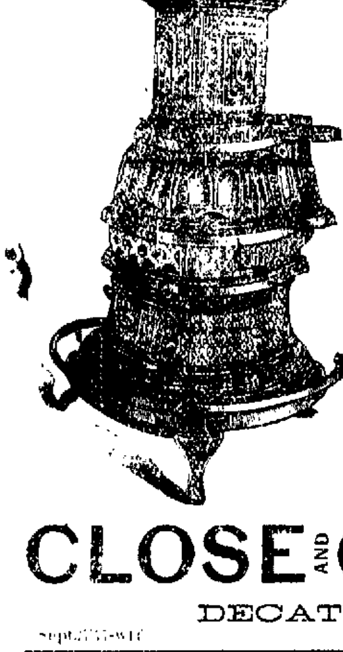

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TELEGRAPHIC.

NEW YORK, Dec.—An explosion, immediately followed by fire, occurred at five minutes past five o'clock, this afternoon, in the immense candy factory of Greenfield & Son, No. 63 Barclay street, which extends in the shape of an L to College Place. The boiler, which was under the sidewalk on Barclay street, burst, tearing away the entire front and scattering the wreck in all directions. A large number of girls of all ages were employed at the time in the building. The walls fell within a few minutes after the explosion.—The building, five stories high, fell into the street. Forty-six wounded and one dead are reported at the Chambers street hospital at 6.45 o'clock. A number were also sent to Bellevue and other hospitals. It is estimated the wounded will reach 125. About 50 escaped by the College Place entrance, and a small number got out through the sky-lights, walked over the roofs and got down the skylights of other buildings. The book-keeper, who was on the Barclay side of the building, was blown out through the window to the street and badly cut on the head. Several jumped from the second story and escaped with slight injury, their fall being broken by policemen and citizens on the sidewalk below.

No fair estimate of the loss of life can be given to-night, but must be large. The parties employed in the factory were principally young girls and boys, from 8 to 20 years of age. Owing to the near approach of the holidays, a double force was employed, one working during the day and the other at night. The number in the building at the time is variously estimated from 100 to 300. The flames spread so rapidly it is feared many not injured by the explosion were burned to death. Owing to the heat, no search can be made for those buried in the ruins until to-morrow.

The factory building was in the form of a letter L, having entrances No. 63 Barclay street and No. 3 College Place. In the angle were situated the Grocers' bank building and D. D. Tompkin's brown paper warehouse, both five stories. The latter also burned to the ground, leaving the bank building on the corner, looming up alone over the ruins. The bank building was only injured on the fourth and fifth floors, used as dwellings by the janitor and several families, who lost all furniture and effects.

The third floor was occupied as law and other offices. Slightly injured by water, but the offices of the bank on the ground floor suffered no injury. Mr. Tompkin's loss is not yet ascertained. The loss of Greenfield & Sons is estimated at $100,000; insurance about $70,000. Some of the girls had the hair burned totally off their heads. First reports were exaggerated in regard to the number of wounded. Only 13 were brought to the Chambers street hospital, and none to any other hospital. The greatest sacrifice of life was among young girls, many of whom from eight to fifteen years were employed selling and assorting and packing candies on the first floor, over the boiler, which was situated in the basement of the rear end of Barclay Street wing of the building, and not under the sidewalk, as at first reported. None of these are known to have escaped.

News of the explosion spread over the city very rapidly, and the wildest rumors and great excitement prevailed. Large crowds hurried from all quarters to the scene. The police kept the crowd blocks away from the place. Many persons having children or relatives working in the factory, as evening wore on they had not returned home, sought the scene of the disaster and hospitals and police stations in search of the missing ones.

At the very lowest calculation there must be 40 or 50 bodies in the ruins.

The firemen will keep streams of water on the ruins all night, and will have the street cleared and be ready to commence digging for bodies to-morrow.

Mr. R. Kleinn, of No. 53 Leonard st., states that he was in the building about ten minutes before the explosion, and there was a great many persons there at the time. He passed in front of the building two minutes after the explosion, and saw on most of the floors, as the front wall had fallen, a great many boys and girls rushing about in an excited and confused manner, but they became obscured to view by smoke and flames in a few seconds. There seemed to have been no possibility of their getting out alive. The fire was one of the quickest ever seen. In less than three minutes the flames had ascended completely to the roof.

Peter Stadtmiller gives a vivid description of the affair. He is employed with Rodgers & Co., and was within forty feet of the doorway when the explosion occurred. It seemed to throw up the whole sidewalk and the front of the building fell to the street. There was a two-horse truck of the Delaware and Lackawanna express company passing and the wall fell on the horses and driver. He said he believed there were nearly 200 persons employed in the building at the time. There were not more than a dozen girls employed on the ground floor, most of the boys and girls being engaged on the second and third floors. Stadtmiller says he is positive that not more than six girls and a dozen men came out alive through the Barclay street entrance.

The elder Mr. Greenfield was about the first who rushed out, and he was much scalded. He saw about a dozen making their escape by the roof to the adjoining building.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Dec. 21.—Henry Norfolk, for the murder of his wife on the 29th of May, was hanged, to-day, shortly after 11 o'clock, in the jail yard. He sobbed loudly upon the scaffold, confessed his crime, and said his sins were pardoned.

More about the Great New York Tragedy.

NEW YORK, December 21.—The Union League Club looked at its brightest to-night, and its splendid parlors were probably seldom thronged with so distinguished an assemblage of ladies and gentlemen as gathered there in honor of the reception to President Hayes. The rooms were elaborately decorated for the occasion. The theater of the Club, which communicated by folding-doors with the art gallery, was tastefully draped, and rare flowers and shrubbery filled the place with perfume, and lent attraction to the scene. The doors leading from the theater to the art gallery, and from the latter to the main room facing on Madison avenue, were thrown open, and the whole continuous space was where the reception proper took place. The saloon was decorated with flags of all the States, and a picture of President Hayes was surrounded with United States flags. At 7 o'clock carriages began to arrive by way of Madison avenue, and, after depositing their occupants, left by Fourth avenue and Twenty-sixth street, to prevent confusion. From 7 o'clock until 9 the stream of carriages was unbroken. The Presidential party arrived at 8:30 o'clock, and consisted of the President, Mrs. Hayes, Burchard Hayes, Webb C. Hayes, Miss Platte, Attorney General Devens, ex-Assistant Secretary R. C. McCormick and Mrs. McCormick. They were all dressed in full evening costume, and were received at the entrance by the reception committee.

The distinguished party were at once escorted to the reception parlors. Hon. John Jay, president of the club, cordially greeted the president and his party, and gave them hearty welcome to the Union League Club. The reception was altogether of an informal character, and no addresses were made. Secretary Evarts and wife arrived shortly after the presidential party and joined them in the salons. By this time the rooms were uncomfortably crowded and promenading was difficult.

After an hour's pleasant conversation, and promenading, during which the many splendid paintings and works of art which adorn the walls of the club were admired, an adjournment was taken to the banquet rooms, on the floor below, where an elegant collation was partaken of. The president and party left shortly before 11:30, and were driven to the hotel. It was long past midnight before the last of the guests left the salons. The reception was generally considered one of the most agreeable and successful ever given by the club.

THE following sketch of the Blue-Grass farmer, taken from life by the idealistic editor of the *Courier-Journal*, supplies a long-felt want in fiction:

He will walk out on the front piazza of a morning, stirring the sugar in the bottom of the glass, followed, actually *pursued* by the aroma of the thirty-year-old jug on the sideboard, and he will survey the landscape, as he strokes his chin to relieve the monotonous movement of the spoon, in the light of the perfect day. The sun, like a young sorrel heifer, is climbing the hill, pausing for a moment at the top. The dew-drops, half-drunken as though they had taken a turn at the ripening corn, stagger about the edges of the wood-lot, and try to be familiar with the blades of grass. The boys are taking the horses to water in the spring branch that flows off, a tiny strip of silver through the meadow. Two or three pretty girls flash their undyed blonde heads and unpainted red cheeks out of the second-story window to see that they are not outrivaled by the fillies.—There is, to cut sentiment as short as one may at such a moment, a wealth of serenity and beauty, prosperous, luxuriant, virtuous and happy life, which fills the soul of the provincial as he stirs the glass, stroking anon the beard upon the chin, and causes him to say to himself: "Well, they may talk about their boulevards and their Central Parks, and Union Clubs and their theatres, but, after all, is there anything in nature or in art equal to Kentucky?"

A Washington dispatch to the Chicago *Tribune* says that the dissatisfaction in Republican circles with Secretary Evarts is very great, and that many of his friends believe that the pressure of his extensive and important law business, which is suffering from his absence, and the growing discomforts of the situation here will, at not a very distant day, determine him to return to his private affairs." We have been afraid for some time that his private affairs were suffering.—*Ind. Journal.*

DURING the recent visit of General Sheridan to Washington, the military authorities considered a project of building a large military post at or about the forks of Milk river and near the line of the British Northwestern Territory, as a defense against the large concentration of Indians across the line. If the Sioux and others should determine to invade our territories again, the Canadian authorities have no force to restrain them. This will be a permanent post on the international boundary, and will be constructed with care. General Terry had orders to look up the best site for such a post, and it is understood that he has fixed upon a place for it. The matter will be brought to the attention of Congress.

THE TRIUMPH OF THE TELEPHONE.

A very interesting display of the powers of the telephone was made between Bloomington and Joliet and Lockport, on Sunday last. The *Pantagraph* says of it:

A through circuit was made from the *Pantagraph* office to Chicago, which was then connected with a return wire to Lockport and Joliet, and upon which were fifteen telephones, a number of them in the mills, offices and residences of Mr. Norton at Lockport, and the others in the Joliet penitentiary.—Through this circuit of over 150 miles of wire and a large number of Morse instruments and office connections conversation was carried on part of the time with ease and clearness. The day was a bad one, the trouble from induction and leakage being increased by the damp atmosphere, and on account of the haste with which preparations were made, the circuit was not a perfect one by any means. We believe that this is the longest circuit ever worked by the Bell telephone. Mr. Stent, of the Bell company, and Mr. W. K. Morley, superintendent of the C. & A. wires, believe that in good weather and more perfect arrangements, a 200 mile circuit can be easily worked. The telephone is certainly a triumph of invention, and when the difficulty produced by induction has been overcome, as recent quadruplex experiments have shown it can be, it will be the most perfect of all magneto-electric apparatus.

SENATOR DAVIS, the independent party in the Senate, is as sly in concealing his opinions on important questions as he is dextrous in balancing his votes. A Pennsylvania man wrote to him a few days ago in regard to the propriety of calling a national currency reform convention. In his reply after stating that any movement of the kind should emanate from the people and be entirely free from the influence of members of Congress. Senator Davis said: "Honor requires us to keep faith with the public creditors to the last letter of the law, but it also demands that faith shall be kept with the people, upon whom falls the burden of taxation and the duty of fidelity to national obligations. Every measure calculated to bring about a sound and uniform currency and wipe out the distinctions which favor one portion of the community at the cost of the rest shall receive my cheerful and earnest support." Just so: but how to bring about a sound and uniform currency, etc., Senator Davis fails to indicate. He leaves hard-money men to infer that he is in favor of bringing greenbacks to par with gold, and greenback men to infer that he is in favor of sealing the debt down to a paper or silver standard. For a great independent party Senator Davis seems to be sadly in lack of opinions.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

A PATENT-INSIDES journal at Decatur has been lashing itself into a "fine frenzy" over what it characterizes as "the cowardice of the Springfield papers" in reference to the temperance movement in this city. There may be cowardly papers in Springfield as elsewhere—and if so it is a matter for them to settle with their patrons—but so far as the *Journal* is concerned, it is accustomed to notice matters of local interest without fear or favor, but without allowing any single topic to monopolize its columns to the exclusion of all others. And this, judging from our Decatur contemporary's accusations, is the *Journal's* offense. We have one suggestion to make to our amiable and respected contemporary who has undertaken the censorship of the Springfield papers, and that is this: Don't undertake the management of half a dozen papers (all daily) at the same time, unless you have proved your ability to manage at least half a one with decency. One thing more: Never set yourself up as the only infallible exponent of journalistic independence and honesty, on the strength of a recent conversion or sudden impulse, nor complain of the intolerance of others while exhibiting the same vice yourself. We will do our neighbor the credit to believe that he will be ashamed of his vituperative folly, when his present phenomenal excitement passes off and he becomes entirely sober.—*Springfield Journal.*

ONE of the richest jokes we have ever read is Kimball's squib last week, in which, in giving the names of *new* subscribers, he calls attention to the fact that they are *new* subscribers, and not *renewals*. As he has never run any *one* paper *one* year in Decatur, we think it would be hard for him to have *renewals* for a second year. Oh, Kimball, you're a fraud.—*Decatur Review.*

THERE is some satisfaction, and occasionally some advantage in occupying an independent position; but this situation has sometimes also its disadvantages. Thus we are told by a Washington correspondent that "Senator Davis wanders around the senate lonesome and homeless, and senators are quite free in expressing the opinion that he is not easy in his mind." All of which indicates disquietude. The fact is that since the dawn of creation till now no man has undertaken to sit on two stools without feeling uneasy in his mind, and not unfrequently in his body.—*Quincy Whig.*

Wanted.—Homes for six girls and two boys, ranging in age from four to eleven years. D. W. BRENNEMAN,
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TWO GREAT AMERICAN PREACHERS.

For the Republican.

Having started from our hotel in New York, we passed through John street and saw the "First Methodist Church in America." It was first built in 1768, which was before the revolutionary war began, and then rebuilt in 1817, and also in 1841.

We crossed the East river at Fulton fery, and after a pleasant walk through the streets of Brooklyn, we arrived at Plymouth Church. It is a plain structure, without a spire, and although rather unattractive outside, it is tastefully and well arranged within. One of the officials informed me that more than twenty-five hundred persons could be seated in the audience room and galleries. The pastor is the renowned Henry Ward Beecher, and this was the first time that I ever saw the distinguished speaker. Mr. Beecher is over three score years of age, but his rugged and healthy appearance would indicate several more years of labor. In person he is more than medium size, and his general expression is pleasant and striking. It is evident that his intellectual powers are considerably above the average, and that none but a master workman can perform the labor he does.—His text was: "The night cometh when no man can work." He discussed his subject with perfect freedom, and elaborated it with the skill and elegance of an able logician. His reasoning upon the principles connected with the subject of labor and property was interesting and enunciated so as to be unusually impressive. Independent of notes or manuscript, he spoke for fifty minutes apparently with great self-possession. Perhaps I may quote the language of Burke as appropriate to the speaker, namely: "His enthusiasm kindles as he advances: and, when he arrives at his *peroration*, it is in full blaze." Hundreds of voices in that large congregation united in the singing when, according to the poet, "Music arose with its voluptuous swell." The choir, with the assistance of a reed organ, led in the music, whilst a large proportion of the auditors with hymn books, participated in the service. How delightful to see a whole assembly in the sanctuary, mutually uniting in this part of religious worship.

Two intelligent Brooklyn gentlemen, in response to an inquiry I made, were prompt and emphatic in saying that the great scandal against Beecher was wholly and maliciously false—having originated amidst the fanaticism of free-love.

Having concluded to attend worship at the Tabernacle church in the evening, I reached there just in time to hear Dr. Talmage announce his text.—The Tabernacle is a large building, having accommodation for seating upwards of four thousand persons: and the seats being gradually elevated from the platform, give all an excellent view of the speaker. Its acoustic qualities are evidently splendid, as I took the most distant seat, and yet was able to hear very distinctly. Dr. Talmage is not very prepossessing, intellectually, in his appearance, and yet he has a very intelligent eye. He is slender and about six feet in height, and has sandy hair. His text was in Hosea 9th and 13th: "In me is thy help." The sermon was a "feast of fat things," and abounded with points that were thrilling and full of interest. His movements in the pulpit were active, his gestures were impressive, his reasoning sharp and incisive; and his appeals to the sinner were frequent and powerful. Such words as these would ring out over that vast audience, viz: "O wanderer, come back to God; He is waiting to receive you to-night." And whilst his voice is not so pleasant as some, yet his unction, earnestness and pathos charmed the vast assembly into the most fixed attention. Now and then I discovered that the silent tear was involuntarily finding its way down my face, and a feeling impulse of saying, "Amen!" came over me. Thus I was almost spell-bound for thirty-five minutes, when he closed his sermon, and changed the services into a prayer-meeting, which continued fifteen minutes. It seemed that there were thousands of voices united in singing, "Show pity Lord, O Lord, forgive," etc., and although the melody was not, perhaps, like the "voice of many waters, and as the voice of thunder," when the new song was sung by the one hundred and forty and four thousand as mentioned in the book of Revelations, yet I may say it was delightful. Dr. Talmage is a Presbyterian, and Mr. Beecher is a Congregationalist.

Respectfully,
P. H. CRIDER.

NOT content with illustrating its "culchah" by the orthographical improvements erected in the names of Kikero and Mykenæ, the New York *World* now calls our old friends in Servia Serbians. We might bow to this authority if the same authority did not print the name of the Prince of the Serbians as Obkenovitch instead of Obrenovitch.—*Globe-Democrat.*

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The Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1877.

SNUBBED AGAIN.

When the great temperance revival was at its height in Decatur, in September, our amiable neighbor of the *Sun* divided his columns into two departments—one containing reports of meetings and the other devoted to abuse of the REPUBLICAN. He kept this up for a good while, his plain purpose being to create the impression that in his own immaculate person were concentrated all the elements which go to make up the true apostle, while everybody else was an open or disguised enemy to the cause of temperance.—His gall fairly boiled over with indignation when he thought of the REPUBLICAN, which he gloried in calling "the whisky organ," and other choice names. In every number of his paper he charged that the REPUBLICAN was unfriendly to the reform movement, and kept up this unmanly sort of warfare so long and so persistently that he unmasked his selfish motives and revealed himself in his true light before the community.

When Messrs. Rowell and Hoofstitler began their labors in Springfield, Kimball thought he saw another opportunity to make capital for himself, and he again had recourse to his old tactics. He daubed his face with war-paint, brandished his stuffed club over the heads of the Springfield editors and calling them cowards, upbraided them with accusations of a want of sympathy with the cause, and pointed them, metaphorically speaking, to the gaudy feathers of triumph and glory which decked *his* brow. The Springfield editors, however, were in no wise abashed by this savage assault. They kept on in the even tenor of their way, the *Journal* man only, deigning to notice it, by giving our neighbor a very decent and genteel carrying. But now comes the sequel. At the Saturday night temperance meeting in Springfield, the following were adopted, among other resolutions:

WHEREAS, During the progress of the recent gospel temperance meetings in our city, the following city papers, viz: *State Register, State Journal and Sangamo Monitor*, have so kindly continued to publish the proceedings of the meetings, and have made the various announcements in relation thereto, as they have been requested; and,

WHEREAS, By their impartial reports of the workings of the temperance leaders, great good has been done by spreading abroad valuable information on this important subject, and the interest of the public has been excited as it could not otherwise have been,

Resolved, That the thanks of the temperance people of our city are due and are hereby extended to Messrs. Tanquary, Irwin and Ambrose, as representatives of the above mentioned papers, for their faithfulness in attendance, and reporting and having published the results of our efforts in the cause of temperance.

And so the *Sun* man has been snubbed again. The Springfield Reform Club, like the Decatur Reform Club, seems to understand that its most valuable friends are not those who make the loudest professions. And this, in the language of Lincoln, "reminds us of a little story." In one of our city churches, (no matter which one) experience meetings are frequently held, at which the members are asked to relate, for the edification and encouragement of the weaker ones, the evidences of their own faith. On one of these occasions Brother ——— was called on to speak. He rose from his seat in the "Amen corner," and, facing the audience, said: "Brethren and sisters, if you want to see a Christian, look me in the face." The balance of his remarks are not material to the point we wish to make, but it is not recorded that the brother in question stood any higher in the esteem of the church than he did before. The *Sun* man says every day, "If you want to read a temperance paper, cast your eyes over the *Sun*." But the people are not all blind. The desire for filthy lucre and the determination to gain it, at whatever cost, crops out as plainly in over-zealous protestations of virtue as it does in the puffing of saloons on the levee.

A REPUBLICAN senator from a Western state said the other day: "I have been three times to see the president since I came here in October: twice Gordon was there before me, and all three times Ben Hill came in before I left. They were evidently in better feeling there than I, and I found it impossible to secure any conversation with the president on political matters in my state, so I came away unsatisfied." It is little things like this which make republicans feel that the conciliation business is being somewhat overdone.

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AN IMPORTANT LIQUOR DECISION.

The appellate court for the Third district, in session in Springfield, on Saturday last rendered an important opinion under the state liquor law. In the circuit court of McLean county, some time ago, a verdict was rendered against a landlord in whose building a saloon was kept, giving a woman $2,500 on account of the killing of her husband while in a state of intoxication induced by drinking in the above mentioned saloon. The case came up to the appellate court on appeal, and the latter has now sustained the decision of the McLean circuit court. The decision is regarded as important, on account of its bearing in the "landlord's clause" of the liquor law.

THE Malone (New York) *Palladium*, Vice-President Wheeler's home paper, says that while he does not fully agree with the President's civil-service policy, as interpreted by his acts and orders, he concedes entire honesty and sincerity of purpose to the President, and believes that whenever he finds he has made a mistake he will correct it. The paper adds that "however Mr. Wheeler may regard certain specific acts of the administration, he is not an anti-Hayes man."

THE St. Paul *Press* says there is still a large amount of public land open to pre-emption and homestead entry in Minnesota, which is "as fine wheat land as the sun ever shone upon." Under existing laws a man can pre-empt eighty acres within railroad limits or 160 acres outside, or can take up a homestead of the same amount. In pre-empting he is required to live on the land six months, and then he has a year in which to pay for the land, the price being $2.50 per acre within railroad limits and $1.25 if outside. In taking a homestead a man is required to live on the land five years, when it becomes his without any further expense, except land office fees, which amount to less than $15.

A RECENT issue of the London *Times* contains a letter from Lord Bateman, in which the writer takes strong ground against free trade and in favor of a return to the protective policy which first gave British manufactures their supremacy. In the course of his letter he says:

"We cannot shut our eyes to the universal collapse of trade and its accompanying distress, be it the mineral, the shipping, the carrying, the agricultural or the general manufacturing trade. Throughout the country the cry of depression and distress and ruin is the same. It is of no use to blink the question. Facts will speak for themselves. In defiance of all argument and all persuasion, not to say entreaty on the subject, these awkward facts still remain. Our overtures to other countries are disregarded. Our commercial treaties are not renewed. Our own trade is in a sinking and unprofitable condition. Our exports show a lamentable and alarming and increasing deficit. * * * We have tried free trade, and it has been found wanting.—We have done our best to impress other countries with the reasonableness of our policy, and in return they scoff at our blindness and turn a deaf year to our remonstrances. In the meantime partial ruin and wholesale depression and distress are staring us in the face. * * * I appeal to the common sense and to the patriotism of my country, and if they are convinced how great has been the failure of our free trade policy without reciprocity, it is for them to say, as I believe sincerely they will say, whether a return to a policy of limited protection, so far from being impossible or undesirable, is not the true and simple solution of our present difficulties, which will tend, in a more simple and natural way than any other, to retrieve our losses, increase our revenue, lighten our burdens, bring peace, contentment and employment to our working classes, and teach them and us to bless the day which restored the old policy and the old watchword of protection to native British industry."

This is very strong language to come from an Englishman, and it proves two things: First, that the commercial depression and prostration of trade which we are experiencing in the United States are felt equally if not more severely in England; and, second, that the policy of free trade is falling into disfavor there while that of moderate protection is steadily growing in popularity. In the light of such testimony as this the people of the United States will hardly be persuaded by the free trade agitators to adopt a policy which England seems likely to discard at no distant day.

THE Jacksonville *Journal* devoted less than a quarter of a column to the "Murphy Meetings" in its issue of Saturday. Here is something calling for at least a column diatribe from the *Decatur Sun*, *Sun*, *Journal*.

A Union Soldier's Fate.

Washington Letter.

There is another ex-brigadier-general of Ohio volunteers here, a man whose record was more distinguished than General Hayes', whose experience then and whose subsequent success have been far less roseate—General Wm. T. Fitch, of the gallant twenty-ninth Ohio, a lately discharged doorkeeper of the house of representatives. He was lamed for life by wounds received in battle, so that he can only do sedentary work. His record as doorkeeper was so excellent that the democratic congress two years ago did not venture to disturb him, but, growing bolder than his predecessor, the new doorkeeper, Polk, discharged him summarily. His seven children are motherless, and he turned his head sadly away to go home to them empty-handed from the halls of a capitol that his valor had helped to save inviolate—dismissed by a Confederate. He is a bright and able man, and very interesting and reliable to converse with upon the issues of the day. Equal in soldierly rank with the president, I asked him, after his discharge, why he did not go to him and plead his right to a better place. You should have seen the look of bitterness that came over his face and he made me no reply.

WINTER FASHIONS.

Dresses will be worn long, especially among the poorer classes.

The pockets of the ladies' mantles will be worn at the back of the shoulders. This will avoid the necessity of ladies having to reach down to their toes for their pocket-handkerchiefs as at present.

There will be a great variety in the trimming of bonnets: currants and cherries and pine-apples and mangel-wurzels will not remain in after this month. Stuffed lions and tigers and elephants will be the most fashionable, and large orders have been given to the naturalists.

Ear rings will be superseded by skewers, swords and barbers' poles. These will be mostly of silver.

Dog-skin will be much worn for mantles. It is hoped that this fashion will check the progress of hydrophobia.

A great improvement in ladies Ulsters is also announced. The pattern is registered, and is called "the Simplissimus." It consists of an ordinary blanket with a hole for the head and two for the arms.

THE utility of the Grand Jury is seriously questioned by many Judges in this country and England. It is an old and well-known institution, intended to honestly aid and correct administration of criminal law. Whether it does so, is doubted by many who are in a position to observe its workings closely. As is well known, the Grand Jury is allowed to secretly investigate all criminal charges against individuals or corporations, and to present its opinions to the court in the form of an indictment if it deems the accusations well founded. The juries are intended as safeguards to persons accused of crime. Unless indictments are found the charges cannot be further pressed.

It is urged against the system that examinations are only upon one side and are conducted by men inexperienced in legal matters. The result is that many matters that do not merit condemnation are reported against, and that great offenses are frequently left unpunished. The power of a dishonest Grand Jury for wrong is immense. We have seen something of it here in Chicago, and it has been a worse evil in many other places. But proceeding upon the assumption that the average juror is honest in his heart, we believe that it has outlived its usefulness, if it ever possessed any. Men are selected at random to fill its numbers, and in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred they are unacquainted with the delicate duties with which they are intrusted.—The prosecuting attorney is relied upon to guide them to their conclusions, and therefore to all intents and purposes he is made the arbiter in all matters of criminal presentment. It would be far better to have a competent magisterial board to examine into all such matters, and let the investigation be open and above board. In this way the prosecuting attorney would occupy his proper place as attorney for the people, and entirely impartial judges of the facts and competent judges of the law would decide whether the complaint was worthy of further prosecution. It is a subject upon which comment should be elicited. We believe that the agitation will bring about a revision of the law both here and in England, so that a more reliable tribunal for examining criminal charges will be instituted.—*Chicago Post.*

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CHRISTMAS AT NIANTIC.

EDS. REPUBLICAN:—One of the most pleasant, happy and enjoyable entertainments of the season was given Christmas evening by Capt. J. W. Pritchett and lady at the wedding of their only daughter, Miss Emma, to Prof. John A. Cussins, of Decatur. Your correspondent chanced to be one of the honored guests. The occasion was a grand affair, and the interest increased more and more, higher and higher until it reached its acme, when Mr. Chas. Carnes, of Decatur, and Miss Dora Nutter, of Kentucky, attendants, made their appearance, when all stood breathless; the attendants filing to the right and left, Prof. Cussins led his beautiful, blushing bride to the nuptial altar where Dr. Ballinger, in the most appropriate manner, performed the marriage ceremony. Immediately repairing to the dining room we beheld the table handsomely adorned and richly ladened with everything both pleasing to the eye and gratifying to the taste. Returning to the parlor, the happy couple received the congratulations and well wishes of their many friends, and many rich and precious tokens of friendship, parental and brotherly love, and until the wee small hours all went merry as a marriage bell sure enough. The happy couple started out in in life with the blessings, well wishes and "cheers" of the community. May their journey in life be joyous, happy and sweet. Respectfully,

ADELPHAS.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-office, at Decatur, Macon co., Illinois, Dec. 26, 1877.

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Andrews I H	Rahm Mrs C W
Amnan John C	Regg Frank
Allin Daisie E	Ryan Rosetta
Burroughs W H	Sage & Son
Chew Mrs Nancy J	Shuldeman Harry
Cornell R W	Simpson Mrs Litha
Dewees Charlie	Sauer Miss Mollie
Elliott Maggie	Shaden Wm
Garring Joseph	Stevens Clay
Hamilton Thomas	Sorenson L J
Harkrader Ephraim	Smith Libbie
Hinds F S	Souders Mary
Harrington Eunice M	Travis Miss Fanny
Hite Geo	Turner Miss Fannie
Hadden John G	Thompson Theo
Harris George W	Wimsett Rev A
Hughes James	Weible C H
Harris Rachel	Wilson C W
LeFever Frank	Wheeler C A
Lehman Kate	Wentz Harry
Leebrick Lizzie (2)	Wells Mrs G W
Moore D F	Wood & Woodruff
Mason H H	Wood C J
Miller Mrs Katie	Wykel Laura
Miller Mrs Mary J	

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Bolton Mrs J	Grant John
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R. P. LYTLE, Postmaster.

NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL.

The Madison Congregation of the C. P. Church will give a festival at their church, ten miles southwest of Decatur, in Blue Mound township, on the evening of January 1st, 1878, the proceeds to be applied to repairing the church. No admittance fee; all are invited to come and have a pleasant time. By order committee of arrangements.

J. A. BARNES, Chairm'n.

SAYS the Decatur *Sun* of the 22d:

Yesterday the Springfield papers took up cudgels against the *Sun*.

The animus of this assertion is a purpose on the part of the *Sun* to curry favor with the temperance people. It is only an assertion, so far as we have observed, but the *Sun* is very anxious to occupy the position of a martyr to the temperance cause; but, so far as we are concerned, we have no objection it should have all the benefit of such position. It is a very old and very transparent game, but is frequently tried by green newspapers—this attempt to play the martyr, and to simulate the marks of the scourge and the brand of the gridiron.—*Springfield Register.*

A MISSOURI paper publishes an interview with General Jo. Shelby, formerly of the Southern army, regarding the possibility of war with Mexico.—General Shelby has been a great deal in Mexico and is thoroughly posted on the subject of which he speaks. He says a war with Mexico would be about the most costly and unprofitable enterprise this government could engage in. Every pound of ammunition, rations, medicines, hospital and military stores would have to be hauled six hundred miles. Every dollars worth of advantage gained would cost us five dollars. Mexico is strong enough to require an army of 300,000 Americans to whip her. The Mexicans are dogged, resolute, tenacious, fatalistic, and know how to die without a word when they have to die. He thinks Mexico could raise an army of 500,000 men for defensive purposes. In regard to the troubles on the Rio Grande, General Shelby says by far the larger part of the trouble comes from this side of the river. Said he: "You don't know that river. Along it on either side is the paradise of the cut-throat, the bandit hiding from pursuit, the higwayman, the horse, cattle and sheep thief, the desperate borderman, the herder out of work, and the red-handed murderer. If this country covets territory, let her say so and take it; but in the name of all that is soldierly and brave and magnanimous, do not let her make the depredations of thieves and cut-throats an excuse to sacrifice 100,000 lives and $700,000,000."—General Shelby talks like a sensible and honest man. This country does not want a war with Mexico, and especially a war fomented for selfish purposes by a parcel of mining speculators and border ruffians.

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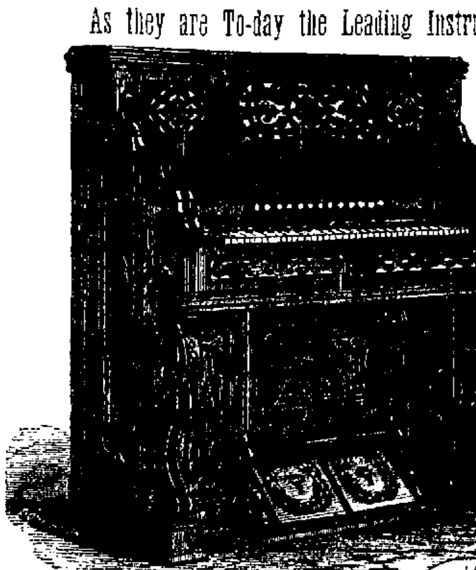

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BEES SWARMING IN DECEMBER.—On Wednesday last, a hive of bees belonging to Geo. White, of Newman, swarmed. The phenomenon of bees swarming in December was never dreamed of in philosophy. The swarm of young bees was saved, and the owner will have a hard time of buying overcoats and stockings to keep the little bees from freezing.—*Lincoln (Ills.) Herald.*

THE Burlington *Hawkeye* says President Hayes is the only living man who is willing to trade off a political friend for an enemy and pay boot.

CHICAGO, December 23.—Russell K. Beckford, lumber dealer, has failed: unsecured debts, $61,866; debts on open account, $5,400.

THE wonders of New York came out in her baby show. The three hundred and fiftieth entry was made on Saturday evening. A Jewish woman, accompanied by three friends, brought four babies of her own. Four more were entered by their Irish mother. The managers are in negotiation with a Brooklyn mother who has had six children within twenty-two months. Among the curiosities to be exhibited are a baby that sings nursery rhymes; one that mews like a cat and barks like a dog; one that weighed only three-quarters of a pound at birth, one that, at eleven months, weighs fifty-eight pounds; one that walks alone at three months, and one with a double-jointed right arm.

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ALBERT HANFORD,
Galveston, December, 1877. 27 w4w

WE don't like to be irreverent, but would like to ask, What did our forefathers know? What, for instance, did George Washington know? He never saw a steamboat. He never saw a fast mail train. He never held his ear to a telephone. He never sat for his picture in a photograph gallery. He never received a telegraph dispatch. He never sighted a Krupp gun. He never listened to the "fizz" of an electric pen. He never saw a pretty girl run a sewing machine. He never saw a self-propelling engine go down the street to a fire. He never heard of evolution. He never took laughing gas. He never had a set of store teeth. He never attended an International Exposition. He never owned a bonanza mine. He never knew "Old Prob." He—but why go on? No; when he took an excursion it was on a flat boat. When he went off on a train it was a mule train. When he wanted to talk with a man in Milwaukee he had to go there. When he had his picture taken it was done in profile with a piece of black paper and a pair of shears. When he got the returns from back counties, they had to be brought in by a man with an ox-cart. When he took aim at the enemy he had to trust to a crooked-barreled old flint-lock. When he wrote it was with a goose-quill. When he had anything to mend his grandmother did it with a darning-needle. When he went to a fire he stood in line and passed buckets. When he looked at a clam he never dreamed it was any relation of his. When he went to a concert he heard a cracked fiddle and an insane clarionet. When he had a tooth pulled he sat down and never left off yelling. When he got out of teeth he mummed his victuals. When he wanted an international show he sent for Lafayette and ordered his friends up from Old Virginia with the specimens carefully labelled in bottles. When he once got hold of a nugget of gold from an Indian chief he felt rich. When he wanted to know anything about the weather he consulted the ground-hog or goose-bone. When—but why go on? What did such a man know? Who was he, anyway?—*Chicago Journal*

Mr. John Mahin, postmaster at Muscatine and editor of the *Journal*, denounced the policy in his paper and the president has dispensed with his services as postmaster

The Boss Chinchilla Overcoat.
Nov. 7—dtf B STINE'S.

"TURKEY GOBBLER STRUTTING."

Why Blaine and Conkling Didn't Speak for Eleven Years.

[From a Debate in the House in 1866.]

Mr. Conkling desired to add that no commission, paper or authority whatever was issued to him, except the letter of retainer which had been read. If the member from Maine had the least idea how profoundly indifferent to him his opinion was on the subject he had been discussing, or on any other subject, he thought he would hardly take the trouble to express it. He apologized to the house for the length of time he had occupied in consequence of being drawn into the matter by an interruption which he had before denounced to be ungentlemanly and impertinent, and having nothing whatever to do with the matter.

Mr. Blaine said that he knew that this was what they called down east "running emptyings." The gentleman from New York could not get off on the technical pretense that he did not hold a position as judge advocate. Many an officer had led a brigade, a division, or a corps with no more of a commission than such a one as the gentleman from New York held. As to the gentleman's cruel sarcasm, Mr. Blaine continued: "I hope he will let me escape his disdain. His lordly pomposity, his grandiloquent swell, his majestic overtowering, his turkey gobbler strutting have been so crushing to myself and to all members of the house that I know it was an act of the grossest temerity on my part to venture on provoking them. But I know who was responsible for it all. I know that for the last five weeks an extra strut has seized the gentleman. It is not his fault—it is the fault of another. That gifted and satirical man, Theodore Tilton, of the New York *Independent*, was over here spending some weeks and writing home letters, in which, among some serious things, he put some jocose things, among the cruelest of which was that the mantle of the late Winter Davis had fallen upon the member from New York. He (Conkling) took it as serious, and has since strutted more than usual. Well, the resemblance is great—as striking as Hyperion to a satyr, Thersites to Hercules, mud to marble, a dung-hill to a diamond, a singed cat to a Bengal tiger, a whining puppy to a roaring lion. Shade of the mighty Davis, forgive the almost profanation of that jocose satire.

QUEER OYSTERS.

The Baltimore *American* of Monday says: "Oyster dealers report that a great many of the oysters that reach Light street wharf when opened look as if they had been engaged in a heated family quarrel, resulting in blows, out of which they had come second best. Their appearance is decidedly unfavorable, presenting, as they do, a reddish and altogether uninviting aspect. When cut behind the heart or between the gills with a knife blood spurts forth freely, covering the hand of the person holding them as if it had been cut instead of the oyster. The blood thus produced greatly resembles that of the human being in color and substance. Oysters sometimes have this peculiarity when spawning, but for them to have it at this time of the year is unusual and hardly accountable. A prominent dealer says he has heard of others noticing it at different periods, but he has not for the past fifteen years. It is confined mostly to oysters gathered in the waters bordering on the western shore, saving a few streams from Thomas Point to Cape Henry. The eastern shore is not altogether exempt, as some oysters caught in Pocomoke Sound, Miles river, and around Sharp's Island have the same appearance and peculiarity. It is supposed that they were caught in very deep water before the frost had time to touch them. Oysters when in this condition are worthless, and as soon as discovered they are sent back and deposited again in the water, to remain until well touched by the frost. They are then edible, and are taken up and brought back to the market. The season thus far has been a good one for oysters. They are fat and possess a delicious flavor."

HARD ON CIGAR MAKERS.

Alton Telegraph

"The last number of the *Internal Revenue Reporter* contains a decision made by Commissioner Raum, which, if enforced, will be rather hard on many, if not all, our cigar manufacturers in this city. He holds that the law on this subject can only be construed to forbid the sale of cigars at retail, or in quantities less than one box, in the same building in which they are manufactured. It can no longer be permitted that one-half of a room or building be used as a manufactory, and the other one-half as a store. The two branches of business must be kept separate, not only nominally, but by solid walls. The decision affects all the cigar manufacturers who do a retail business in the same room or building where they manufacture their cigars.

OUR friend Kimball, of the Decatur *Sun*, will doubtless be greatly edified by reading the resolutions adopted at the temperance meeting in this city on Saturday last, thanking the ... papers for their impartial reports.— Probably, however, our Decatur ... knows more about the matter ... the principal actors ... —*State Journal.*

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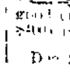

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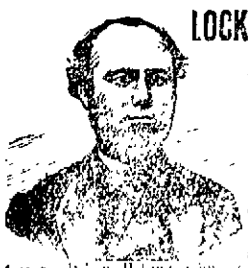

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TRACHEOTOMY.

Artificial Introduction of Air in Cases of Diphtheria.

[Pittsburgh Chronicle.]

Since that dread disease, diphtheria, has claimed so many innocent little victims here (as well as persons of adult age), the anxiety of parents finds relief in the surgeon's knife. During last week a child's life was saved in Sewickley, in which place one of the first operations (tracheotomy, or opening of the trachea or windpipe), of its kind hereabouts, was performed. This was in the case of the little daughter of Melancthon McMillan, Esq., of the Bank of Pittsburg. The little one is now a blooming lassie; and but for "tracheotomy" would have lain in her grave for three years. In conversation with a physician who has performed this delicate operation several times, it is learned that not over a dozen such operations have been performed in this vicinity, for membraneous croup and diphtheria. The object, as is generally known, is to admit air to the sufferer's lungs, by an opening below the "Adam's apple," and before the terrible membrane has closed the top of the windpipe. The difficulties that surround the successful performance of this operation will be better known when it is stated that some of the largest blood vessels in the human body lie within the fraction of an inch of the only spot that can be cut by the surgeon's knife. On Monday, we are informed, a child's life was lost in this city through the accidental severing of a blood vessel during tracheotomy. In the recent Sewickley case the child was a six-year-old daughter of Mr. Henry Davis, a laborer in poor circumstances. Dr. McCready performed the operation, assisted by Drs. Shillita and Hartzell, of Allegheney, and Dr. J. A. McCready, of Penn avenue. The little one, whose convulsive efforts to get breath of life through her nearly-closed throat were heart-rending to note, was placed under the influence of an anesthetic. Proceeding with the utmost caution, the windpipe was laid bare in about thirty minutes and the perforation took place. The convulsive efforts of the little one ceased instantly, and soon the child slept. The most careful nursing ensued, and to-day the child is reported as being in a fair way toward recovery.

In another Sewickley case, that of the child of Mr. Irwin the coal dealer, the operation had been postponed too long, and though the child's life was prolonged and its death from suffocation prevented, fatal results from blood-poisoning ensued. Its age was only eighteen months, which fact also militated against the success of the operation. The pipe which supplies the place of nature's air passage in this case, is made of silver or hard rubber, some three or three and a half inches long. At the point of its entrance into the trachea a broad collar surrounds the pipe and rests immovably on the exterior of the throat, being bound firmly about the patient's neck. Altogether, this remedy, desperate as it may appear, seems destined to save many precious lives from death in the slow and horrible form of gradual suffocation.

THE BOWL.

Some Facts in regard to the Liquor Traffic.

In the annual report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue are some interesting facts for the consideration of social reformers and political economists. In the State of Maine there are no distilleries or rectifying establishments, but four breweries, six wholesale liquor dealers, and only 402 saloons. In the State of Kentucky, which is about equal in population, there are 754 distilleries, 54 rectifying establishments, 37 breweries, 240 wholesale liquor dealers, and 2,284 saloons. In Vermont there are only 2 breweries, 1 wholesale liquor dealer, and only 433 saloons. New Hampshire has 2 distilleries, 12 wholesale liquor dealers, and 920 saloons; while little Rhode Island has 42 wholesale liquor dealers and 1 279 saloons.

The total number of licensed saloons or drinking places in the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1877, was 164,598, or, calculating from a population of 45,000,000, one for every 280 persons. The total number of wholesale liquor dealers is 4,604; brewers, 1,758; rectifiers, 1,130; distillers, 4,992.

In the District of Columbia there are more saloons than there are in Colorado, Dakota, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Vermont, Washington Territory, West Virginia, or Wyoming. There are nearly three times as many saloon-keepers in the District of Columbia as in two-thirds of the States and Territories named, and every year Congress is called upon to appropriate money to aid the poor of this District. The death rate in the District is greater than in any State in the Union in proportion to population.

"One of the learned members of the Pittsburgh Presbytery said he had heard that in some dances in vogue in respectable society the gentlemen put their arms around the waists of the ladies." Yes, sir, that is so; and when the waist is trim and slender, and the fair lady's pearly ear comes about up to your mustache, peaches and cream are nowhere.

An Invoice of beautiful Pencils, which will answer the purpose of a chain, just received at J. L. KNIEPER'S.

Dec. 22—d2d

BITS OF THINGS.

The Soul's Desire

Oh, to be calmly patient,
When daily cares perplex!
Casting on Christ our burdens,
Then they no longer vex.
Telling them all to Jesus,
However great or small,
Knowing his ear is ever
Open to each and all.

Oh, to be more in earnest!
For night is creeping on,
And shadows dark and falling—
Soon will the day be gone.
E'en now the sun is setting,
God grant we may not wait
But haste us to the rescue,
Lest we should be too late.

Oh, to be always working
Throughout the "little while!"
We're waiting his returning
And his expected smile.
Then words of sweetest welcome
Will greet each "faithful" one;
Into his joy we'll enter,
Our work forever done.

Oh, to be daily growing
More like our blessed Lord,
Changed into his image
By contact with his word!
Seeing him there reflected
From morning until night,
My Jesus fill our vision,
And be our heart's delight.

WILL YOU EVADE?

How One New Yorker Invites Another to Take a Drink.

From the New York Graphic.

"Will you 'evade' this morning?" said my friend.

"What?"

"Evade. Evade the excise law. That's what we call it now."

"I will evade," I answered promptly. "I always evade when possible. I do it on principle."

At the door of a popular restaurant stood a man. He surveyed us keenly. My friend tried that door. It was locked. The man stepped up "Can't get in, gentlemen," said he; "bar closed."

"Why you know me, don't you?" said S. to the sentinel

"No. Who are your references? We must have first-class references now as to character, occupation, and standing to guard against excise spies."

After giving the name of a prominent Judge and another high official the door was unlocked. We entered. No bar was visible. People were going up and down the cellar stairs. We joined the throng. Descending to the cellar, a bar improvised on a board and two barrels met our eye. The barkeepers were busy behind it

"This is evasion," said S. "How will you evade?"

"With hot Scotch."

"Mine, too," said he.

We evaded.

"Isn't this shameful?" said S. "Call this a free country, indeed! Why it's so much trouble to get a single drink now that one must drink twice and save that much introductory ceremony. Let us evade again," said he.

We did so.

"How's business?" I asked of the bartender.

"Never better," said he. "People have so much trouble in getting into a saloon to get a drink that they drink two or three times to save going through it all again. Then they rather like the novelty of the thing. This evasion of the law lends to it the charms of adventure. So now people evade who did not evade before, and those who did evade, do now evade the more."

"Let us go somewhere else and evade," said S.

We found another saloon, another guard, another locked door, references were again produced; we were admitted. The place was full. The bartenders had not time to clean their glasses. "It's a great hardship, ain't it," said S, "to be deprived of one's liberties and drinks in this way? Let's evade some more."

"I've had enough of evasion to-day," I said.

"What!" said S. "Nuff: I'm goin' to see this thing through. I'm goin' to devote the 'essay this day t vasion."

I left him evading.

Don't You Forget It!—For if you are BILIOUS, or are troubled with LIVER COMPLAINT, DYSPEPSIA or CONSTIPATION, MALARION WILL CURE YOU. 75 cents per bottle. All druggists sell it.

Dec. 6—wtf

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June 9 wtf.

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Attorney and Counselor-at-Law,
... National Bank ... Ill. Apr ... d&wly

DAWSON & CUNNINGHAM
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BROWN & TAIT.
... Brown, Master in Chancery; Felix B. Tait, Notary Public
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DR. A. S. WAITZ
DENTIST
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J. STEBBINS KING, M.D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,
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Attorney at Law,
... Notary Public, Solicitor of Collections, ... and War Claims. Office over Bushnell's Store, East Main street, Decatur, Ill. ... attention given to Bankruptcy and ... collecting business. Jun17'75-d&wtf

B. STEARRETT
Attorney-at-Law,
... southeast corner of the Old Square, in ... formerly occupied by S. G. Malone ... over W. ... Armstrong's Drug Store ... lkwly

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ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
... Newell & Hammer's Grocery Store ...

FLOWER BUNN
Attorney and Counselor-at-Law,
... Block, over Wingate's ... Merchant street. Aug3 ...

A. BUCKINGHAM
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
... Hildebrand's Drug Store, Decatur ... April3 '72dtf

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

Blue, Brown and Black Matelasse Cloaking reduced from $4.00 to $1.50 at
Dec 13-d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS

AN exchange says that the holidays approach the young folks are troubled about the dolls, the old ones about the dollars. We guess that's true, especially the last clause of the paragraph.

IN one of our exchanges a man advertises "Rooms to rent to gentlemen furnished with gas." If he had rooms were in Decatur he would find plenty of customers.

EVERY evil and inconvenience has a compensating feature, and farmers may congratulate themselves with the idea that muddy roads tend to keep away lightning rod peddlers and sewing machine agents.

THE Charleston *Plaindealer* has the following suggestive paragraph which we hope parents will read carefully:

As soon as cold weather sets in in earnest you will see lots of little girls on the streets with their hands and feet and heads and bodies warmly bundled up and their little legs unprotected from the cold except by thin stockings. And the parents will wonder why their little darlings should be taken sick, or perhaps carried off by dread diptheria, but we won't.

AN exchange says: There are men in all communities who make it a practice to prey upon the unwary and take advantage of those who are unfortunate and poor. They are always on the alert—prying around and sticking their noses in other people's business in order to seek out some victim that they can grind down into the dust. Such men would disgrace hell itself and are a stench in the nostrils of all decent people. We are of the opinion that the editor don't know Decatur people, as to make an exception in favor of our city.

It has Stood the Test

If you doubt the wonderful success of SHILOH'S CONSUMPTION CURE, give it a trial, then if you are not perfectly satisfied return the bottle and we will refund the price paid. It has established the fact that Consumption can be cured, while for Coughs, Hoarseness, Asthma, Whooping Cough and all Lung or Throat troubles there is nothing like it for quick and positive cure, and it seldom fails. 10 cents, 50 cents and $1.00 per bottle. If your Lungs are sore or Chest or Back lame, use SHILOH'S POROUS PLASTER. Price 25 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

DR. SHILOH'S SYSTEM VITALIZER is no doubt the most successful cure for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint we have ever known otherwise we could not guarantee it. In cases of Consumption where General Debility, Loss of Appetite and Constipation exist, it will restore and regulate the system, while SHILOH'S CURE allays the inflammation and heals the lungs. Price 75 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

HACKMETACK, a rich and fragrant perfume. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.
Dec 14-d&w6m

LINN & SCRUGGS have the largest and best assortment of CARPETS in Decatur, but will not insult the intelligence of the people by setting up the *rubbish* and FALSE pretense of *controlling the Cheapest Prices*, except as far as *directly* access to the LARGEST and BEST Manufacturers and Importers in the United States favor their taste and enterprise, from whom they purchase their entire stock at the LOWEST PRICES offered to the trade AND THIS ACCOUNTS for the great reduction in prices of CARPETS and OIL CLOTHS when they introduced these goods in Decatur. Let it be borne in mind as well, that this department can be conducted by them with very little additional expense, which adds a further guarantee of LOW PRICES and defies competition.
Dec 17—d&wtf

The Possession of riches will bring you no enjoyment unless you have good health, therefore if you are troubled with any Disease of the Heart, no matter how slight, it is well to look to its immediate cure. Your physician may say "I will give you relief," but notice he does not say he will cure, but in Dr. Graves' HEART REGULATOR we have a cure and can substantiate it by the many testimonials we have received. Among the many forms of Heart Disease are Palpitation, Enlargement, Spasms of the Heart, Stoppage of the action of the Heart, Trembling all over and about the Heart, Ossification or Bony Formation of the Heart, Rheumatism, General Debility and Sinking of the Spirits. Send your name to F. E. INGALLS, Concord, N. H., for a circular containing a list of testimonials of cures, &c.
Dr. Graves' HEART REGULATOR is for sale by druggists, price 50 cents and $1 per bottle.
Dec 12-d&w2w

The Great Popularity of the "Old Dominion" Buck Gloves and Gauntlets has induced parties, both in Decatur and surrounding towns, to sell inferior gloves under this name. None are genuine unless stamped "Geo. Ott" on the inside, and to be had only of
Oct 2—d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS

FINE upholstered chairs, and all other kinds of Holiday presents at Ashby's.
Dec 8-d&w3w

Below Cost.—Toys, Dolls and Fancy Articles for the holidays. I intend to sell below cost. M. GOLDBURG
Dec 14—d&wtf

Home-made Stockings—the best article to be found, at M. GOLDBURG'S
Dec 14—d&wtf

BISHOP ELECTED.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week a convention was held at Springfield, composed of delegates from the several parishes of Central Illinois which were by the last general convention of the Episcopal Church for the United States holden at Boston formed into a diocese to be known as the Springfield Diocese. The delegates to this convention from St. John's parish in this city were M. L. Burrows, Mr. W. J. Quinlan and Mr. Geo. W. Emmons. The business of the convention was mostly completed on Tuesday with the exception of the election of a Bishop, which took place on Wednesday morning, resulting in the unanimous election of Rev. Geo. F. Seymour, now Dean of the General Theological Seminary in New York. The convention was most harmonious in its action, and the new diocese commences its existence under exceedingly auspicious circumstances. As the election of Dr. Seymour was unanimous he will doubtless be confirmed as soon the House of Bishops and the several dioceses in committees can convene and act upon the case. The Bishop elect is a man of high attainment in all things that go to make up the qualifications for the responsible position to which he has been called. It is generally understood that he will accept.

From Friday's Daily.

TEMPERANCE MEETING AT OAKLEY.—Last night a rousing temperance meeting was held at the church near Mr. T. W. Berry's, in Oakley township. The speakers were J. A. Arnold, D. K. Wilson, J. P. Winebrenner, M. P. Murphey and Jacob Lichtenberger. T. W. Berry, Esq. presided over the meeting. All agree that Matt Murphey's maiden speech was a grand success. Fifty six signed the pledge. A temperance alliance was organized with the following officers: Thomas W. Berry, President; James Jackson, Vice President; Miss J. Jackson, Secretary; Miss C. Berry, Treasurer; John Hise, James Turner and Miss Mary Hiser, Executive Com.; Mr. Daniel Deles, Chaplain.

A MAN ARRESTED CLAIMING TO BE FROM DECATUR.—Marshal Pringle is in receipt of a letter from the city marshal of Lafayette saying that a man had been arrested there on suspicion of having stolen goods in his possession who gives the name of Jame Hughes and says he belongs in Decatur. He had in his possession five pairs of gloves, six neckties and four sets of jewelry which he was trying to sell, claiming that he got the articles from Chicago. When taken into custody he could give no satisfactory account of himself or his business and was locked up until some information might be obtained from here in relation to him. Now then if any person knows anything of the name of Jame Hughes or of anybody who has been going as the one described above will do well to communicate with Marshal Pringle.

From Thursday's Daily.

ASSAULT WITH A STEELYARD WEIGHT.—Yesterday at the residence of Robert Conklin, about 2½ miles south of town, Mr. C. threw a steelyard weight at Johnny Brewer, knocking him down and inflicting an ugly wound. As related to our reporter the story is as follows: It seems that Brewer had been doing some hauling for Conklin for which he was to receive meat when the latter should kill his hogs. Yesterday as Brewer was passing that way he called at Conklin's house for his meat. Mr. C. gave him a package of meat that was already wrapped up, which Brewer refused to accept, claiming that it was damaged. Conklin told him that he would get no other, and as Brewer turned to leave the place Conklin threw the weight at him, hitting him in the back of the head, knocking him down as stated. The wound of the injured man was such as to alarm his friends and a surgeon was sent for who dressed the wound and gave it as his opinion that there was no fracture of the skull, but said that immediate death must have ensued had the weight struck half an inch below where it did.

From Friday's Daily.

FRIGHTENED.—A family residing in the west part of town had a serious fright this morning, caused by the disappearance of the family pet—a little child not quite two years old. During the temporary absence of the family from the house the child got out of sight, and the mother was almost frantic with fear lest her darling had fallen into some well or cistern or had been stolen. It was only after a most protracted search that the baby was found in the corn bin where it was contentedly shelling corn as happy as a lark.

From Friday's Daily.

I Shall and Will Lead.

I herewith announce to all those wishing to buy holiday presents that they can save from ten to twenty per cent on their purchases by giving me a call. My stock of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Gold and Silver headed Canes, musical instruments and other things too numerous to mention, is complete, and my goods are just as represented, to which all those who have patronized me heretofore can testify. J. L. KNEFFER
24 Merchant street, Decatur, Ill.
Dec20 wtf

Katie's Wants.

Me want Christmas Tree,
Yes, me do;
Want an orange on it,
Lots of candy too.

Want some new dishes,
Want a red pail,
Want a rocking horse
With *very* long tail.

Want a little watch
That says "Tick, tick."
Want a newer dolly,
'Cause Victoria's sick.

Want so many things,
Don't know what to do;
Want a little sister,
Little brother too.

Won't you buy em, mamma?
Tell me why you won't?
"*Want to go to bed?*"
No, me *don't*.

ANOTHER ROUSING TEMPERANCE MEETING.

MONTICELLO, ILL., Dec. 20, 1877.
EDS. REPUBLICAN:—The opera house was again crowded last night to its utmost capacity with earnest and enthusiastic men and women who are each day getting more thoroughly awakened to the necessity and importance of the great subject of temperance.

Brothers Holt and Bingham, who have been toiling day and night in the good cause, had expected to have some assistance from your city in the way of speakers, but being disappointed they were found bravely at the front as usual, determined to make the meeting a success anyway, and they made a glorious success of it. The meeting has not been exceeded in interest by any of the previous successful efforts. The audience was attentive and appreciative as the many hearty to ... fully demonstrated.

Capt. Bingham led off in a plainly expressed but earnest talk that bounded in good solid sense and truthful points.—Although not claiming to be a lecturer the Captain made a more successful talk than many men do who make greater claim.

After another stirring song by the choir Mr. Holt addressed the audience in one of his popular characteristic speeches that brought down the house with a vim. He fairly eclipsed all his former efforts and carried the audience by storm. He has the happy faculty of putting himself at ease and in sympathy with his hearers at the very start and holds their closest attention throughout. Charley is immensely popular already with all classes, and is doing a world of good in the cause.

After the speeches 140 signed the pledge, making the total number up to the present time 442. Among these are some of the hardest and most confirmed drunkards in the community, and they are thorough ...

A Christian Temperance Union was then organized and officered with an efficient corps of workers.

To night we expect to hear Prosser and others from your city, and a grand time is anticipated. REPORTER.

From Friday's Daily.

REFORM CLUB MEETING.—The regular weekly meeting of the Reform Club took place last evening at the club room, and the attendance was good. The principal business of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing quarter. The officers elected are as follows:

President—J. B. Winebrenner.
Vice President—Michael Skell.
Secretary—H. A. White.
Treasurer—M. P. Murphey.
Chaplain—Rev. W. G. Inman.
Executive Committee—J. R. ..., chairman; F. Priest, J. M. Lowry, Patrick Brennan and J. P. Murray.
Grievance Committee—Jacob Lichtenberger, chairman; Stanley Mitchell, —— Lake.
Janitor—J. W. Paine, Jr.

The meeting was harmonious and spirited.

THE GRENADIERS BALL.—On the evening of December 31st the Grenadiers will give their grand ball for which preparations have been in progress for some time. The affair is to come off at Powers Hall, the music being furnished by Goodman's full orchestra. Efficient committees have the matter in charge who will see that all the details are carried out to the letter. Nothing will be left incomplete in the arrangements.—Tickets may be had at Armstrong's drug store or of any member of the several committees.

From Thursday's Daily.

BEHIND THE GRATES.—Yesterday afternoon Judge Smith ordered under arrest William Rutherford, a Mrs. Maples, Wheaton West and Madam Taylor on account of indictments found against them severally by the grand jury, charging them with being in the house of ill fame business. Neither of the parties could give bail and were therefore committed to jail to await their trial. Most if not all of them have had experience behind the grates and will take to jail life easily.

Have you been to the Farmers' Store, 37 North Church street, and looked over the stock of Groceries, Queens, Glass, Wood, Willow and Hard Wares that are to be exchanged for beef, pork, butter, lard, eggs, corn, oats, wood and greenbacks. F. B. PRATT
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MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19.

Court convened at 1½ o'clock p. m., Judge C. B. Smith presiding.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Mary J. Williams vs. Harris T. Williams; divorce. Trial by court and decree of divorce granted.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, DEC. 20.

The People vs. Mason Sanders; assault with a deadly weapon. Trial by jury pending which court adjourned to 1½ o'clock p. m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 21.

Court convened at half past 8 o'clock a. m. and resumed the case of The People vs. Mason Saunders. The testimony in the case was concluded and the arguing of the case was commenced—State's Attorney Buckingham opening for the People, and was followed by Mr. Vail for the defence, when court adjourned to half past one o'clock.

FRIDAY, DEC. 21.

Court convened at 1½ o'clock p. m.

The case of The People vs. Mason Saunders, charged with assault, was concluded. Verdict guilty on first count, and not guilty as to 2nd and 3rd counts.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.

Peddecord & Burrows vs. Chas. E. Conrard; assumpsit. Trial by jury pending which court adjourned to 8½ o'clock on Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, DEC. 22.

Court convened at 8½ o'clock and acted upon the following cases:

Lucinda Wakely vs. D. P. Clay; assumpsit. Default taken.

Alex. T. Hill vs. Angeline Duer and Albert Duer; ejectment. Dismissed by plaintiff.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

John B. Jones vs. Henry Troxell et al.; foreclosure. Report of sale approved.

Edward Burrows vs. Samuel S. Carpenter et al.; foreclosure. Report of sale approved.

Lucinda M. Cathan, assignee, etc., vs. John L. Kinney, admr. et al. Report of sale approved.

Francis M. Shafer vs. Conrad Schoenle et al.; foreclosure. Report of sale approved.

Jacob L. Pierce, admr., vs. John O. Reed et al.; foreclosure. Same order as above.

The case of Peddecord & Burrows vs. C. E. Conrard was resumed, pending which court adjourned to next Wednesday at 1 o'clock p. m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Regular Meeting.

OFFICE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 18, 1877. }

Present—Messrs. Barnes, Ullrich and clerk.

Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

The following bills were allowed and the clerk directed to draw orders on the treasurer for the same: D. N. Fielding, $47.50; Wm. Traver, two bills, $36.86 (allowed $32.90); A. C. Wykoff, $9.20; C. P. Thatcher, $14.50; Elwood & Co., $7.75; Abel & Teel, $5.67; John Dunner, $12.80; Mrs. Schermerhorn, $5.

Clerk directed to pay teachers and janitors at the end of the present term.

Supt's report of receipts and expenditures of tuition fund for the month of November read and approved.

On motion adjourned.
W. A. BARNES, Pres't.
E. A. GASTMAN, Clerk.

GRENADIERS BALL.—This military organization will give their first ball on New Year's Eve at their armory in Powers block. The citizens of Decatur are sufficiently proud of this fine corps of soldiers to be tow a liberal patronage on this the occasion of their first hop. The several committees are making the most thorough preparations and assure all who may attend that the entertainment will be in all respects first class.

From Saturday's Daily.

K. of H.—The semi annual election for officers of Decatur Lodge No. 687 Knights of Honor held last evening resulted as follows:

L. I. Haworth, Dictator.
F. B. Tait, Vice.
W. J. Dumont, Assistant Dictator.
Otto E. Curtis, Reporter.
Nathan L. Krone, Financial Reporter.
R. P. Lytle, Treasurer.
Marion Beamer, Guide.
W. G. Inman, Chaplain.
J. G. Starr, Inside Guardian.
Wm. Towling, Outside Sentinel.
L. L. Haworth, J. G. Starr and Theo. Gehrmann, Trustees.
R. C. Crocker, delegate to the Grand Lodge K. of H.

WAS IT MURDER.—Where were the police? On Sunday night last, about half past 10 o'clock, the citizens in the neighborhood of the Neptune hose house were startled by three distinct pistol shots followed by low and continuous groans. Those who heard the shots and subsequent groaning were afraid to go out to examine into the cause. We have heard nothing of the matter since, except that a short time after the occurrence a tall man was seen making hasty steps toward the central portion of the city. Can any one explain?

It will be ... your advantage to call and see HENRY SCHROEDER before ... ing ... your pattern ... make your ... [dec15-wtf

From Friday's Daily.

INCENDIARIES AT WORK.

Two Fires Within Three Hours.

Last night about one o'clock one of the night patrolmen discovered a bright light in a westerly direction from the Postoffice, and being satisfied that some building was on fire, at once gave the alarm and soon there was a rush in the direction of the light, upon reaching which it was found to issue from the stable of Mr. I. W. Ehrman, at the corner of Prairie and Edward streets. The flames had already made considerable progress, and though the firemen were very prompt in their arrival and in getting to work, when everything being as dry as tinder the building was thoroughly charred inside, and the roof mostly burned off before the flames could be subdued. Mr. Ehrman's stable joins that of Mr. Gorin, there being only a board petition between them, but so vigorous was the application of water that the fire barely burned through the boards and slightly scorched the hay in Mr. Gorin's loft. In Mr. Ehrman's barn was wood and coal and a buggy, the latter was taken out and the fire was extinguished before the wood was much burned, so that the loss was confined mainly to the building. The stable was insured in the office of Warren & Durfee for enough to nearly cover the loss. The damage to Mr. Gorin's property is so light that it is hardly worth naming, though but for the activity of the firemen his stable and its contents must have been burned. That the fire was set by an incendiary there can be no doubt, as there had been no light taken into the stable on the evening before the fire.

Hardly had the firemen returned to their headquarters when a second alarm was sounded, and this time the fire was discovered to be in the agricultural warehouse of A. A. Murray, just north of Priest's hotel. The close proximity of the fire to the hose house of the Rescue boys enabled them to reach the place in a very short time after the alarm was sounded, and as water was handy the fire was extinguished before it had made much headway. In this case the evidence that incendiaries were at work was very clear, and the places where the fire was set were well chosen for making quick work of the destruction of the building.

It seems that an entrance was effected to the warehouse through one of the lower front windows, and the fire was set on the first floor in a pile of rags near the south east corner of the room. From here the villain, whoever he was, ascended the stairway on the north side of the store and set a second fire in a small pile of lumber and rubbish in the northeast corner on the second floor. The rags were pretty well scorched, but the fire above had made but little progress before it was put out. This building belongs to Mr. A. H. Park and is insured. The damage to it by fire will not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars. The contents belong to Mr. A. A. Murray and are insured. Mr. M.'s loss will not exceed that of Mr. Park's and perhaps will not reach a hundred dollars.

The timely discovery of this fire saved the town from an extensive and costly conflagration, as just south of the building fired there are two other store rooms belonging to Dr. Mitchell, south of these is Priest's hotel and southwest of which are three other large buildings. Had the fire broken through the south wall of Murray's building there is no telling where it would have stopped, as the buildings on the south are divided into rooms on the second floor by wood partitions which would have increased the fury of the flames and given them force to break through into the hotel. Escape from a sweeping conflagration was therefore a very narrow one, and for immunity in this case the city is undoubtedly indebted to the fire department.

MARRIED.

On Thursday, December 20, by Rev. J. Letton, at the residence of I. S. Kaufman, Esq., in this city, Mr. C. C. DEFFENBAUGH and Miss ESTELLA ODELL, both of Atlanta, Illinois.

In Springfield, Ill., Dec. 13, at the residence of the officiating clergyman, by Rev. Mr. Stout, Mr. CHAS. H. PUTNAM, of Mechanicsburg, and Miss LYDA WINGATE, daughter of Thomas H. Wingate, of this city.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 19th, by Elder N. S. Haynes, at his residence, Mr. F. S. WOODRUFF, of Stillwater, Minn., and Miss SALLIE BLAIR, of this city.

A reception was held after the ceremony, at the residence of Albert Duer, on North Broadway, where hearty congratulations and an elegant supper were the chief features of the evening. The happy couple left on the 10:30 p. m. train for their home in Minnesota, carrying with them the best wishes of their hosts of friends. The REPUBLICAN office acknowledges the receipt of a fine cake in connection with the pleasant event.

Goldburg sells the best quality of Germantown Yarn, Berlin Zephyr, Canvas Slippers and Patterns, knit goods such as Hoods and Saques for children, Scarfs for ladies, in all colors, at lower prices than any other house.
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Buckskin Cassimeres, the best and ... in the market for men and boys ... LINN & SCRUGGS
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Satisfaction Guaranteed or the money refunded on Clothing, at "Cheap Charley's," the Poor Man's Friend.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Capt. Eads arrived here this morning; and called upon the Secretary of War with a certified statement of sufficient depth—twenty-three and a half feet—and a width of channel at the jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi to entitle him to another installment of $500,000. The Secretary said that the sum was so great that he felt it necessary to receive the report of more experienced officers before paying the amount. He accordingly telegraphed to Gens. Barnard and Wright, at New York, to proceed at once to New Orleans to inspect the work. They replied that they would start on Monday. Capt. Eads left to-night for St. Louis, and thence will proceed to New Orleans to attend the Board during their investigations.—Capt. Eads states that the steamer Halcyon, now loading at New Orleans, will take out a cargo of 76,000 bushels of corn, or 20,000 more than ever carried from that port in one cargo, and will draw twenty-one feet of water. He also mentioned that the steamer Western Empire, loaded with compressed bales of cotton, the first vessel to carry a cargo exclusively of cotton, and will draw twenty-two and one-half feet—which, he said, was a practical test of the success of his work.

A gentleman of the Treasury Department, who was recently sent to Europe with bonds for the Syndicate, has just returned, and does not give a very gratifying account of the prospects of American securities since the efforts made in Congress to change the existing standard of the monetary operations of the government. The last subscription of $10,000,000 by the Syndicate, predicated on the beneficial effects of the President's message, has met with no success, owing, it is claimed by the officer mentioned, to the distrust in foreign financial circles of the ability of the executive to cope with the anti-resumptionists and silver proclivities of Congress. One of the objects of the visit of Secretary Sherman to New York next week is to confer with bankers and other financial men upon the situation and as to future measures.

At the proposed celebration of his silver wedding, the President will invite all who are still living of those who were present at the nuptial ceremonies on December 30, 1852, at Cincinnati. They then numbered forty persons.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The revival of the measures to recover from the Bank of England the unexpended balance on the credits to the late Confederacy on account of cotton has not been a success. Solicitor Raynor some time since called the attention of Secretary Sherman to the amount of these assets and urged that steps be taken to recover them to the United States as being the legal successor to the Confederacy.—The Secretary, sensible to the delicacy of the subject, referred it to the Secretary of State and to the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for a decision.—Mr. Connor, Solicitor of the Department of State, made an adverse report on the ground that it would open many delicate questions which this Government was not anxious to enter into. The Secretary of State himself objected for the reason that he was not willing to ask any favors of the British Government. As to bringing suits in their Courts it was also remembered that in the inquiries instituted by the Administration of President Grant, through its agents Caleb Cushing, Judge Redtein and Judge Titus, who were sent there at different times, that the British Government expressed itself perfectly willing to recognize the United States as the executor of the defunct Confederacy, and to turn over its assets, provided the United States were willing to assume its liabilities to British subjects. Assistant Secretary French, in an exhaustive opinion, also reported adversely, concluding that in view of the attitude of the British Government on the question, it would be useless expense to prosecute the claims. This may be regarded as the end of this question.—The amount of these assets is estimated at $10,000,000.

It is intimated that the object of the visit of Secretary Sherman to New York to-morrow is to confer with members of the Syndicate and financial men upon the funding operations of the government as effected by the attempted legislation in Congress. The opinion is expressed in treasury circles that as long as the pending agitation of the silver and anti-resumption questions continue, it will be impracticable to place any more of the four per cent bonds. It is suggested as a remedy that the four per cents be withdrawn, and that the four and one-half per cents be again placed in the market. It is not improbable that this course will be adopted, as it is stated that this class of bonds would have a demand.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—Senator Patterson's condition does not seem as favorable as yesterday. He is weak from nervous prostration. His friends say that even should he recover he would not be able to leave his room for several weeks to come.

CARTHAGE, MO., Dec. 22.—Detective Rittenhouse yesterday arrested two men in Joplin, Mo., upon a charge of grand larceny, committed in Champaign, Ill. Their names are Robert Cleveland and Byron Dunham. Rittenhouse left last night for Champaign, where they will be tried. He has had a long search for them, but has finally succeeded in heading them off.

CROP REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON.

JUSTICE AT LAST.

Arrested for a Murder Committed in 1863.

WASHINGTON, December 25.—The reports of the correspondents of the department of agriculture, received and now in course of preparation for immediate publication, show the enormous aggregate yield of 360,000,000 bushels of wheat for 1877, which is 50,000,000 more than ever before produced. The same official authority shows that the corn product was 1,300,000,000 bushels, with correspondingly large yields of oats and potatoes. The report shows that there never was greater abundance in the land. Out of the wheat product it is estimated, deducting for home consumption in food and seed, that upwards of 110,000,000 bushels of wheat can be spared for export. The largest export yet made in one year was 91,000,000 bushels, with an average of 65,000,000 bushels. The Department is also in receipt of information from wheat producing sections of Europe, from which it is ascertained that the wheat crop in Southwestern Europe, which produces the largest of the surplus, is good; in Southern Russia, amounting to 25 per cent above the average. The crop in Northwestern and Northern Europe is poor. It is stated in communications from Southern Russia that if the war should stop shortly, there will be a large shipment, and that shippers are ready to take advantage of the first opportunity, Great Britain offering the lowest market, which will, it is stated require about 100,000,000 bushels from the present season's yield. The American surplus will have its usual demand in English markets, with an increase subject to the contingences of the existing struggle in southwestern Europe being prolonged into another season. The Department is also in receipt of very flattering accounts of the encouragement which the great yield of the past season is having on every class of enterprise. The acreage of winter wheat for this year is greater than that of last.

POTTSVILLE, PA., Dec. 25.—James McDonnell, arrested in Rock Island county, Ill., and committed to Mauch Chunk jail yesterday, charged with the murder of George K. Smith, formerly of that place, was one of the most desperate Mollies in Schuylkill county.—He resides in the vicinity of Tuscarora, Yellow Jack Donohue's home, and was familiarly known as the Hairy Man. He was one of the murderers of Gen. K. Smith, who was brutally murdered in his own home at Audenried, a mining town of Luzerne county, in the presence of his family, on November 5, 1863. Smith was a mining engineer, but operated a colliery when killed. He incurred the enmity of the Mollies because of their suspicions that he gave the information to the government by which the officials were enabled to make an enrollment for the draft in 1863.—Smith had been away the afternoon of the murder, and returned in the evening feeling unwell, and retired to his room. Early in the night a strange man knocked at his dwelling, and the door was opened by Smith's wife. The man inquired for her husband. Mrs. Smith answered that he was unwell, and she should not disturb him, but would convey the message to him. The stranger insisted on seeing him personally, saying that his business was most important. Mrs. Smith called her husband, who started to descend the stairway to see the man. When half way down, twenty-five men, armed with guns and revolvers, rushed at him and fired a volley of bullets. He died almost instantly. Fourteen years have elapsed, and now two of the men, James McDonnell and Charles Sharpe, have been apprehended. Sharpe was caught near Wilkesbarre, yesterday. The authorities have been on the track of both since the Molly revelations early in 1866.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL., Dec. 25.—Byron Dunham and Robert Cleveland, two notorious villains, who fled from here to avoid arrest, have just been brought back by detective John F. Rittenhouse, of this place, from Joplin, Mo., and they are lodged in jail. Dunham was engaged in a swindling operation with one Jacob Swihart, who procured over $2,000 worth of sewing machines from the Howe Sewing Machine Company on a statement which he procured from a German in this county, named Feckler, and his two sons, to the effect that Swihart would be a good agent for the company. But it turned out that Swihart in getting this recommendation really got their signatures to a bond, on which they have been compelled to pay the company $2,200.

NEW YORK, December 23.—On January 3, Capt. A. H. Bogardus, the champion wing shot of the world, will essay the task of breaking 5,000 glass balls in 500 consecutives minutes, at Gilmore's Garden. This will be a marvelous display of skill and endurance. There are $2,500 staked upon the result—the Captain, as usual, being his own backer. The conditions are as follows: The balls to be sprung from two or more traps and to be in air to count, and only one ball to be sprung at a time.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—A correspondent telegraphs that Gen. Skobeloff, with a division of infantry, two regiments of cavalry and half a brigade of artillery has occupied Trojan, near Trojan pass.

A correspondent, writing from Plevna, says that when the Turks made their sortie they left thousands of sick and wounded, starving and unattended.—These unfortunates remained in this state for three days, and hundreds of them died. Over one thousand have already been buried, and about one hundred corpses come from the hospital daily. Undoubtedly many who were not quite dead have been buried. Those killed in battles were unburied up to the 17th. Turkish prisoners are encamped among them, and are almost starving. Plevna is one vast charnel house, surpassing in horror anything imaginable.

LONDON, Dec 25.—It is fully expected that Woolwich will shortly receive an extensive order. Returns were forwarded last week to the War Office, showing the number of guns and amount of ammunition and stores each department could produce at short notice.

A dispatch from Athens states demonstrations in favor of war took place Monday among the soldiers and civilians at Lamia, on the frontier. A battery of Krupp guns has started for Chali, and war becomes more probable every day. It is commonly believed the Cabinet hesitates to adopt any decided policy before the meeting of the British Parliament.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—An official telegram states the sudden drifting of ice in the Danube has torn away the bridge at Ibrail. A Russian steamer is frozen in and unable to approach the bridge. The Grand Duke Alexis announces that communication cannot be restored for the present.

BELGRADE, Dec. 25.—The Servians, Monday, after eight hours' severe fighting, captured Akpalanka, together with three Krupp guns and a large quantity of ammunition and provisions. The Turks lost many killed and some wounded. Prince Milan was present yesterday when the bombardment of Nisch began.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on Christmas evening, by Rev. W. H. Prestley, MR. JOHN WEGLAGE, foreman of Loeb's Foundry, and MISS EMMA KOEHLER.

Mr. Louis Koehler, brother of the bride, acted as groomsman, and Miss Henrietta Stabler as bridesmaid. Among the guests we may mention H. Brooker and wife, Thos. Barber and wife, R. Ashby and wife, Miss Louie Tuttle, Mrs. S. A. Jones, Miss Katie Stabler, Miss Cornelia Stratton, Mrs. Mecurtis and Messrs. Edwin Carter, Jas. Coop, John Baker and Davis May.

The presents to the newly married couple were numerous, and embraced the following: Card basket, by Mr. and Mrs. Brooker; fruit stand, Miss Henrietta Stabler; pickle castor, Mr. Edwin Carter; one dozen napkins, Jas. Coop; rocking chair, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ashby; set of sauce dishes, Miss Carrie Stabler; set of glassware, Miss Katie Stabler; set knives and forks, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Andrews; pair of vases, Mrs. Harty; table castor, Mr. Louis Koehler; water pitcher, Mrs. McCune; album and work-box; Mr. Chas. Koehler.

At half past 10 o'clock supper was served under the supervision of Mr. Taco dore Jacobs, assisted by Messrs. Buchanan and Meredith.

The affair was a very pleasant one, and the several invited guests seemed to share the joy of the parties in interest.

DIED.

Of typhoid fever, Christmas morning, ten minutes before 1 o'clock, MISS MARY MINNIS, at the house of Dr. J. Brown.

Miss Minnis came to Decatur about 12 years ago, from Belfast, Ireland, bringing with her a certificate of her membership of a Presbyterian church in that city. By her gentle and lady-like deportment she soon made friends. She was a most conscientious and consistent Christian. She leaves a father and mother, brothers and sisters, in the neighborhood of Belfast. And, though she died far away from all her kindred, no daughter at home could have had more kind and affectionate attention than she received on the part of the kind family in whose house she died, and on the part of a large number of other old and attached friends. F. N. EWING.

Hostetter's Almanac.

The edition for 1878 of the sterling Medical Annual, known as Hostetter's Almanac, is now ready, and may be obtained, free of cost, of druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the United States and British America, and indeed in every civilized portion of the Western Hemisphere. It combines, with the soundest practical advice for the preservation and restoration of health, a large amount of interesting and amusing light reading, and the calendar, astronomical calculations, chronological items, &c., are prepared with great care, and will be found entirely accurate. The issue of Hostetter's Almanac for 1878, in the English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish languages, will in all probability be the largest edition of a medical work ever published in any country. The proprietors, Messrs. Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., on receipt of a two cent stamp, will forward a copy by mail to any person who cannot procure one in his neighborhood.

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The $6.00 Suit at E. Stine's—an immense bargain. [nov 15 dtf

VEGETINE

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MR. ALBERT CROOKER, the well-known druggist and apothecary, of Springvale, Me., always advises every one troubled with Rheumatism to try VEGETINE.

Read His Statement:

SPRINGVALE, ME., Oct. 12, 1876.

M. H. R. STEVENS:—
Dear Sir—Fifteen years ago last fall I was taken sick with rheumatism, was unable to move until the next April. From that time until three years ago this fall I suffered everything with rheumatism. Sometimes there would be weeks at a time that I could not step one step; these attacks were quite often. I suffered everything that a man could. Over three years ago last spring I commenced taking VEGETINE and followed it up until I had taken seven bottles; have had no rheumatism since that time. I always advise every one that is troubled with rheumatism to try VEGETINE, and not suffer for years as I have done. This statement is gratuitous as far as Mr. Stevens is concerned. Yours, etc.,
ALBERT CROOKER,
Firm of A. Crooker & Co., Druggists and Apothecaries.

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BOSTON, Oct., 1875.

MR. H. R. STEVENS:—
Dear Sir—My daughter, after having a severe attack of Whooping Cough, was left in a feeble state of health. Being advised by a friend she tried the VEGETINE, and after using a few bottles was fully restored to health.

I have been a great sufferer from Rheumatism. I have taken several bottles of the VEGETINE for this complaint, and am happy to say it has entirely cured me. I have recommended the VEGETINE to others with the same good results. It is a great cleanser and purifier of the blood; it is pleasant to take and I can cheerfully recommend it.
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SOUTH SALEM, MASS., Nov. 14, 1876.

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Dec. 8, 1875—w4w

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MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 27, 1877.

GRAIN MARKET.

FLOUR—White Wheat selling per hundred lbs	$3.25
FLOUR—Red wheat selling per hundred lbs	3.00
CORN MEAL—White selling	.70
" " Yellow "	.60
SHORTS—Per hundred, selling	1.00
CORN—Old shelled	.35@.40
CORN—New	.30@.35
WHEAT—Selling	1.00@1.10

FARM PRODUCE.

POTATOES—Early Rose	.40
" —Peachblow	.45@.50
BUTTER—Per lb	.18@.20
EGGS—Per dozen	.17@.20
LARD—Selling	12½
SIDE-BACON—Selling	.10
HAMS—Selling	12½
CHICKENS—Per dozen	1.75@2.25
TURKEYS—Dressed	.8@.10
CABBAGE—Per dozen	.20@.30
CRANBERRIES—Selling	.15
NEW ONIONS—Per bushel	.50@.65
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HOGS—Per cwt.	3.75@4.00
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" " washed	.32@.34
HIDES—Green	6½
" " damaged	⅔ price
" dry	$3.6@.12½
SHEEP PELTS—Apiece	.50@.75
TALLOW—Per pound	.06@.6½

Petition for an Order to Sell Real Estate.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
Macon County.

In the County Court, February Term, 1878.

James Durning, administrator of the estate of Benjamin Mahannah, deceased, petitioner, vs. Hannah Mahannah, Stephen Mahannah, Mariah Latham, Henry Latham (her husband), Harvey Mahannah, Jacob Mahannah, Henry Mahannah, Eli Mahannah and James W. Mahannah—Petition for an order to sell real estate.

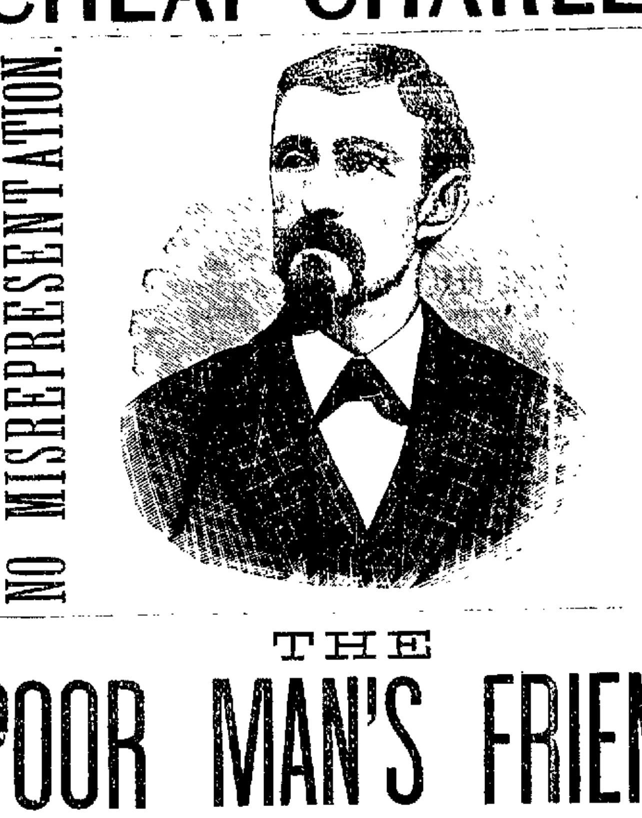
AFFIDAVIT having been filed by James Durning, the petitioner above-named, in the office of the clerk of said court, showing that said defendants, Mariah Latham, and Henry Latham, her husband, Jacob Mahannah and Eli Mahannah are each non-residents of the State of Illinois, and that said Mariah Latham and Henry Latham are residents of Sedgwick City, Sedgwick county, Kansas; that Jacob Mahannah is a resident of Wichita, Sedgwick county, Kansas; that the residence of said Eli Mahannah is unknown to affiant, and upon diligent inquiry cannot be ascertained; notice is hereby given to the said Mariah Latham and Henry Latham, Jacob Mahannah and Eli Mahannah, that the said James Durning has filed his petition in said court, praying for an order to sell the following described real estate situate in Macon county, Illinois, to-wit: Thirty-two acres off of the south end of the west half of the northwest quarter of section thirty-four, in township sixteen north, range three east of the third principal meridian, to pay the debts and claims against the estate of said Benjamin Mahannah, deceased, and that summons in said cause will be returnable at the February term, A. D. 1878, of said court, to be holden at the Court House in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the third Monday in February, 1878.

Unless you, the said Mariah Latham, Henry Latham, Jacob Mahannah and Eli Mahannah, shall appear before said court on the first day of said term thereof and plead, answer or demur to the said petition, the allegations contained therein will be taken as confessed by you and an order entered in accordance with the prayer of said petition.

HENRY W. WAGGONER,
Clerk of the Macon County Court.

WEBB & MCKEE and J. W. SMITH, Solicitors for petition. Dec 7—w4w

'CHEAP CHARLEY'



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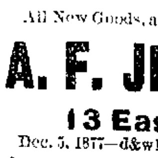

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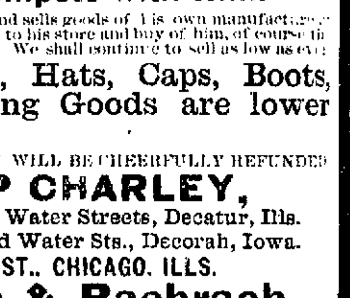

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Administrators' Notice.

Estate of ELIZABETH BRISBY, Deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Elizabeth Brisby, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of Macon county, to be holden at the court-house in the city of Decatur, on the third Monday of January, A. D. 1877, being the first day of a term.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 7th, A. D. 1877.
J. H. PICKRELL, Administrator.
Dec. 15—w3w

Dissolution Notice.

THE partnership heretofore existing between W. A. Dennis and J. L. Morgan under the firm name of DENNIS & MORGAN is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

W. A. DENNIS.
J. L. MORGAN.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 24th, 1877.

The business of the late firm of Dennis & Morgan will be continued at the old stand by Dennis & Rea, who will assume all the liabilities to date and collect all the indebtedness.

December 24, 1877—d&1w W. A. DENNIS.
SAMUEL REA.

NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the County Clerk's office until the 10th day of January, 1878, at the hour of 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of employing a Steward for the County Poor Farm for the year commencing March 1st, 1878.

Dec. 21—d&wtd
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